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IN EARNEST.

NEW PEKING DRIVE.

"CHRISTIAN GENERAL" RETIRES.

FENGTIEN GAIN 100 MILES FROM NATIONALISTS' ALLY.

LULL IN THE YANGTZE WAR?

THE PUSH ON HANKOW.

With that lack of thoroughness which has characterised most of their ventures inside of the Great Wall of China, the Fengtien Party is now waging war in earnest against their most potent adversary.

This traditional enemy of the present Peking Government is not the Nationalist Party at Nanking but Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, the "Christian general" who now holds the provinces of Honan, Shensi and Kansu.

Riding along on the flush of success, a Fengtien army has pushed the "Christian general's" forces back a hundred miles. But the immediate danger to Peking, caused by the present of Shansi "flying columns" has not been relieved.

CAMPAIGN FEATURES.

Summarising each campaign, latest developments (according to the most reliable reports) are as follows:—

Fengtien v. Shansi:

Northern sector—Fengtien claims further advance along Peking-Suiyuan Railway from Kalgan westwards, entering Shansi territory for the first time since war broke out.

Southern sector—no news; a lull seems to have set in along the Peking-Hankow Railway.

"Peking danger zone"—yesterday's report of Chochow (40 miles south of Peking) having been at last recaptured by Fengtien is denied. Shansi rovers still hold the town and new batches of Shansi plain-clothes men have appeared again.

[Note: Shansi is the buffer state between Fengtien and the "Christian general".]

Cabinet's Claim.

Peking, Yesterday. The Fengtien offensive from Kalgan westwards (on the northern sector) continues to be successful. The Peking Cabinet claims the capture of Yungchia-pu, which is inside the Shansi border.—Reuter.

Fengtien v. "Christian general":

Even sources favourable to the Nationalist Party (of which the "Christian general" is a member) admit that Fengtien forces from the provinces of Chihli and Shantung have advanced westwards along the Lung-Hai Railway (in the north of Honan) for a considerable distance.

Other sources credit the Fengtien offensive with threatening Chengchow, the town at the junction of the Peking-Hankow and Lung-Hai Railways.

It appears that the Kuomintang has retired at least 100 miles in the face of the Fengtien thrust; and the prediction, made about a month ago, that the "Christian general" may have to vacate Honan and withdraw into Shensi, is likely to be borne out.

Nearing Chengchow.

Peking, Yesterday. General Chang Tsung-chang telegraphs that the Chihli-Shantung troops have advanced westwards to within 20 miles of Chengchow in Honan province, from where the "Christian General's" Kuomintang is falling back on Yenhsien and Honanfu. The fall of Chengchow is imminent.—Reuter.

[Note: Chengchow has a thriving arsenal. It was taken from Fengtien by Hankow forces who, in time, handed over to the Kuomintang.]

Nanking v. Sun Chuan-fang: Overnight cables mention actions between the Nanking Nationalists and the army under Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, who is under orders from the Fengtien Party. The scene of fighting (along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway) is not given and the report must be accepted with reserve. Nanking v. Hankow.

Having relieved pressure on most of Anhui province, the Nan-

king forces give the impression of slowing up in their advance up the Yangtze River against General Tang Seng-chi of Hankow.

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GALE VICTIMS.

Irish Fishing Fleet Disaster.

47 BELIEVED DROWNED.

Aeroplanes Searching For Victims' Bodies.

Rugby, Yesterday. It is now feared that the number of men drowned in the disaster which befell a fishing fleet off the West coast of Ireland on Friday night is 47.

Two Irish Free State aeroplanes were to-day searching the coast of Galway, Mayo, and Connemara for bodies of the victims of the gale.

The craft used by the fishermen were rowing boats, and they were helpless against the wind and waves. They were manned by crews of five to eight. When the men set out, the weather was fine.

Father Quinn, parish priest of Lachan, whilst listening on his wireless set, received a warning of the coming gale, but the Lachan fishermen were already at sea.—British Wireless Service.

[A London cable of Sunday's date stated:—Over 60 deaths occurred all over the country in the week-end gale, including 38 fishermen drowned at Galway. Half a million sterling of damage was done.]

LOST LINER.

SURVIVORS LEAVE FOR ITALY.

TRIBUTE TO CREW.

Rio de Janeiro, Yesterday. Scenes of great emotion were witnessed when survivors and the crew of the "Principessa Mafalda" embarked on the steamer "Conte Verde" for Italy.

A large crowd of Brazilians, and Italians on the docks cheered the crew and the Italian Ambassador, in a speech, paid a high tribute to them.

The passenger steamer "Principe Udine" arrived and dropped a wreath on the spot where the "Principessa Mafalda" sank.—Reuter's American Service.

EUROPEAN SUED.

JUDGMENT FOR KOWLOON HOTEL.

The Kowloon Hotel (proprietor, Mr. Lai Hin-man) sued Mr. R. F. Strange in the Summary Court this morning for \$140.00 for board and lodging (\$140) and stamps supplied (40 cents).

Defendant was neither present nor legally represented.

The claim was proved through Mr. White, the manager, and judgment entered for plaintiffs.

MR. T. V. SOONG.

Ex-Finance Minister Arrives in Hong Kong.

Shanghai, Yesterday. Mr. T. V. Soong, formerly Finance Minister at Canton, left for Hong Kong yesterday. It is believed that his eventual destination is Canton.—Reuter.

Accompanied by his family and secretary, Mr. Soong arrived this morning by the "Empress of Asia" and was met at Kowloon wharf by many of his friends in Hong Kong, among whom was noticed Dr. S. F. Lee and others.

The "Asia" also brought a number of other Chinese officials.

Another distinguished passenger was Mrs. Tang Shao-yi, the wife of a former Peking Premier who is a native of Heungshan (near Macao). Mr. Tang was once in the government of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

SALT FUNDS.

Surplus Controversy Still Awaits.

Chefoo, Yesterday. There is still considerable controversy over the salt fund which Admiral Shen, of the Chinese Navy, is trying to get from the Hong Kong Bank for the purpose of paying the Chinese Navy.—British Naval Wireless.

CONFIRMED.

Trebitch Lincoln's Presence in Peking.

Peking, Yesterday. It is confirmed that Trebitch Lincoln is here staying at the Hotel D'Or under the name of H. Ruh.—Reuter.

AIR HOSPITAL.

Open By Princess Mary.

TWO HUNDRED BEDS.

Inevitable Strains And Risks Of War.

Rugby, Yesterday. H.R.H. Princess Mary to-day opened a new hospital for the Royal Air Force at Halton, in Buckinghamshire.

Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for Air, in a speech, mentioned that Halton was the biggest Air Force station in the world and its hospital would be the principal hospital of the Royal Air Force.

The building contained 204 beds, to which would come not only cases from Halton but all Air Force cases in this country, outside the convenient range of naval, military, or civil accommodation and air force invalids from overseas.

There was no service in world where the most efficient medical and surgical help was more urgently required, to meet the inevitable strains and risks of life in the air.

The Air Force as a whole would now have in Halton a hospital fully equipped to meet their needs.—British Wireless Service.

"FLYING BLIND."

AVIATRIX QUARRELS WITH PILOT.

DISPUTE WITH NAVIGATOR.

New York, Yesterday. "The Dawn" is now at Quikies Field, Long Island, differences having developed between Mrs. Grayson and her pilot Stultz, who declared he was "through with flying blind over the oceans."

Mrs. Grayson is now at loggerheads with her navigator, Goldsborough.—Reuter's American Service.

AERIAL MOVES.

THREE FLIGHTS IN PROGRESS.

Cairo, Yesterday. The "Red Rose" has left for Bagdad, and the four Air Force flying boats, going to Australia, have arrived at Aboukir, where they will remain till November 3.

Bunder Abbas, Yesterday. Koennecke, flying the biplane "Germania," has left for Karachi.—Reuter.

NEW DISCOVERY.

REVOLUTIONISE USE OF ANTISEPTICS.

STRIKING RESULTS OBTAINED.

Rugby, Yesterday. A statement is to be made on Thursday by Sir Alfred Mond, Chairman of the Imperial Chemical Industries, concerning the new medical discovery.

This is understood to be a new form of antiseptic which is the opinion of Sir A. Mond and those associated with him, including many medical men, is destined to revolutionise the use and scope of antiseptics in surgery.

Striking results, it is said, have been obtained by direct injection into the blood stream.—British Wireless Service.

FLAG AGREEMENT.

KING'S MESSAGE TO (SOUTH AFRICA).

"HEARTFELT SATISFACTION"

Rugby, Yesterday. In the South African Union Parliament this afternoon a message from His Majesty the King was read, expressing heartfelt satisfaction at the settlement of flag controversy and trusting that the spirit of conciliation and goodwill might continue to animate all parties and unite them for the common weal.—British Wireless Service.

FINE.

Weather Forecast Still Unfavorable.

The Royal Observatory's weather forecast for the evening of today is:—N.B. with moderate and light winds.

CANTON STIR.

Two Powerful Influences Working.

"NANKING ILLEGAL"

Li's Strongest Ally Now Retreating.

Matters of supreme importance are engaging the attention of the leaders in Canton's Government.

One is whether the proposed expedition against General Tang Seng-chi of Hankow is to be proceeded with. The other, with perhaps greater influence on the immediate future, is the policy towards other Nationalist centres.

General Li Chai-sum has concurred in a manifesto: which maintains that the government at Nanking is not constituted according to Nationalist regulations.

But officers under him are still carrying out his orders to concentrate at Shukwan for the march into Hunan against Hankow, and in support of Nanking.

Two influences are at work. One is the more influential and the other is more powerful in the matter of men and also of money.

In speeches since his return to Canton, Mr. Wang Ching-wei clearly conveys the impression that his sympathies are not with Nanking.

Nor does he seem inclined to help General Tang Seng-chi of Hankow.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, and his newly returned supporters, are striving to establish in Canton the machinery of Nationalist Government which has existed elsewhere in name and not in fact.

What Will Canton Say? Fundamentally, the Nationalist Government is run by councils of the Nationalist Party. It is such bodies as the Central Executive Council and the Central Supervisory Council that Mr. Wang is desirous of calling into being in Canton.

These Councils should have the highest authority. They were floated—when in session at Hankow—by Chiang Kai-shek. Efforts to call them into being at Nanking have failed. It remains to be seen whether General Li Chai-sum and his adherents will submit to the orders of these Councils.

It is only natural that there should sometimes be disagreement between the military and civil elements in the Nationalist Party.

Politicians and Soldiers.

Should the policy laid down by Mr. Wang not clash with the ideas and interests of General Li Chai-sum, there will be no friction.

So far, Mr. Wang has devoted his activities to summoning the Central Executive and the Supervisory Councils to Canton. General Li is agreeable. But differences may arise when the Councils assign to themselves powers which they should hold in accordance with Party procedure.

An instance of how Mr. Wang and his "Leftist" politicians may differ from the military authorities is forthcoming. The politicians declare against Nanking. General Li keeps on sending troops from Canton and other parts of the province up the North River towards the Hunan-Kwangtung frontier. What if he is ordered by the high Councils to withdraw his men?

Li Chai-sum's Position. Meanwhile, General Wong Shiuhung of Kwangsi, who is General Li's strongest ally, is reported to be returning to Canton by way of Wuohow. His presence will enhance the prestige of the military side.

A crack detachment under General Wong Shiuhung is returning from the hinterland of Swatow to Canton, pending a further transfer on the general's return from Kwangsi.

There may be nothing in these movements. On the other hand, they may indicate General Li Chai-sum's intention of consolidating his position in Canton and elsewhere.

Lady's Views. No evidence is forthcoming that Mr. Wang Ching-wei desires to embark on war with either Nanking or Hankow. Mrs. Li Chai-sum (also a Leftist) condemns the Nanking administration and at the same time says that General Tang Seng-chi of Hankow is not a Nationalist.

With the "moderate" or "con-

PIRATES' CAPTURE.

Loss of Rice Affects Canton.

\$25,000 CARGO MISSING.

Report Of Intervention Of "Moth" Incorrect.

Regarding the activities of pirates off Boats Tigris, reports on Friday when a steam launch and six rice junks were captured and were last seen making off up the East River, later reports stated that a British gunboat had effected the release of the captured steam launch (the "Lee Hoong").

From inquiries in official circles it is gathered that H.M.S. "Moth" which was cruising in the delta, was informed of the piracy and proceeded to the scene. Inquiries were made of the British Consul in Canton and it was ascertained that no British interests were involved. It was consequently regarded that it would be inexpedient to proceed further in the matter.

It appears correct that the captured launch has been recovered, but in what manner is not at present known. It is probable that the pirates, who had a launch of their own, abandoned the launch which later reached Canton. It is reported that the pilot and two firemen were killed by the pirates on account of their resistance.

Representations have been made to the Canton authorities but the captured rice junks have not been located and the Canton market is considerably affected by their disappearance.

The rice, which was being taken to Canton, was of considerable value, an estimate of \$25,000 having been given.

COUNCIL MEETING.

BUSINESS ON AGENDA FOR THURSDAY.

DOGS ORDINANCE.

The following are the orders of the day for the Legislative Council meeting on Thursday at 2.30 p.m.:—

To confirm the minutes of the meeting of October 27, 1927. Honourable Members who are to be sworn or affirmed will take and subscribe the Oath of Allegiance or make affirmation.

Announcements.

Papers to be laid on the table.

Petitions.

Notices of questions.

Questions.

Notices of motions.

Motions.

The Colonial Secretary to move.

That the report of the Finance Committee No. 13 dated October 24, 1927, be adopted. The Attorney-General to move the first reading of—

"An Ordinance to make provision for regulating the keeping of dogs and for the prevention of the importation and spread of rabies."

The Attorney-General to move the second reading of—

"An Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Procurator in Hong Kong of the English Assistance of the Jesuit Order."

"An Ordinance to amend the General Loan and Inscribed Stock Ordinance, 1913."

"An Ordinance to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1884."

"An Ordinance to provide for the registration and regulation of watchmen."

RUBBER.

LATEST QUOTATIONS IN STRAITS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been advised of the following quotations on rubber shares:—

Allenby	\$2.75
Glennville	2.55
Kedah	3.92
Malaka Pindas	2.10
Pajama	2.15

servative. Nationalists like Mr. T. V. Soong also, being back to Canton, it looks as if the politicians will concentrate on perfecting the civil administration, without detaching any provincial policies to the leading Canton general.

SHOTS AT A SHIP.

H.M.S. "Cricket" Replies To Shore.

EFFECTIVE RETALIATION.

Yangtze Snipers Silenced By British Gunboat.

Kiukiang, Yesterday. The British merchant ship "Lipaho" was fired on to-day whilst a few miles above Kiukiang.

H.M.S. "Cricket" was acting as escort at the time and retaliated with gun-fire. The firing from the shore was effectively stopped.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Kiukiang is 142 miles below Hankow. It is held by General Chu Fei-tah, who is endeavouring to preserve neutrality in his attitude towards Nanking and Hankow in the present Nationalist war along the Yangtze.]

New Gunboats.

London, Yesterday. Arrangements are being made to replace the British Navy's river patrol boats on Chinese waters, viz. the "Robin," "Woodlark" and "Woodcock" by four ships which will be transported in sections and assembled at Hong Kong, namely the "Gannet," "Petrel," "Seamew" and "Tern".—Reuter.

TRAFFIC CASES.

A MOTOR CYCLE OWNER'S ADMISION.

DANGEROUS DRIVING.

Mr. Wimple, of the Naval Yard, was this morning summoned before Major C. Wilson at the Central Magistracy for the dangerous driving of a motor cycle in Des Vaux Road, Canton, near the Central Market, at 4.30 p.m. on October 20.

In pleading "guilty," the defendant said that he was forced into his position on his road by a tramcar, but nevertheless he admitted that it was his fault.

According to Traffic Sub-Inspector Alexander, the defendant came up behind a stationary tramcar and attempted to pass it by turning to the right side of the road. As it happened, the road was not clear at the time, another motor cycle ridden by Mr. Thomas, of the Central Electric Company, being about to pass the tramcar in the opposite direction.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$7.

Michael Lim pleaded "guilty" to driving his Harley-Davidson combination motor cycle at 30 miles per hour whilst turning from Hill Road into Belcher Street. He was fined \$15.

COMMUNISTS TO GO.

GREEK GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINATION.

SEEKING NEW LAWS.

Athens, Yesterday. After the attempt of Gounaris, who is a communist, on the life of Condouriotis, the Government is determined to fight with all its forces against communism to ensure the security of the State against subversive elements.

It is understood that the Government is asking to be supplied with the text of the American law which has been operating for some time and thanks to the application of which Communism is said to be practically non-existent in the United States at present.—Reuter.

RED PROPAGANDA.

MEN AND WOMEN HELD IN FINLAND.

WOMAN REPRESENTS CHECKA.

Helsingfors, Yesterday. The Finnish counter-espionage service has arrested three women and two men accused of carrying on Bolshevik propaganda in the Army and also with collecting military information. It is alleged that Eva Sasse, one of the women, was long employed as one of the Checka's trusted representatives in Finland.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was \$70.1/16.

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COMMERCE
AND
FINANCE.

SOVIET TRADE.

NEW TREATY WITH
LATVIA.

Moscow, Yesterday.
The Presidium of the Central
Executive Committee of the Soviet
Union has ratified the Soviet-
Latvian treaty of commerce provid-
ing for reciprocal customs reduc-
tions on certain exports.—Reuter.

N. Y. MARKET.

New York City, Oct. 21.
Due to a heavy increase in broker-
age loans for speculative pur-
poses, the New York stock market
was to-day swamped under an
avalanche of selling orders.

In response to this unexpected in-
crease, the market tumbled and
prices are exceptionally low. The
condition is reflected in to-day's
quotations.

Hits Crop Reports.
Dallas, Texas, Oct. 21.
Crop report estimates issued by
Uncle Sam are helping market
plungers and should be done away
with, it was charged here to-day.

O. P. B. Jacobson, chairman of
the Minnesota Railroad Warehouse
Commission, voiced the charge in
the course of a speech.

Congress should, he asserted, be
urged to prevent the Department of
Agriculture from issuing its crop
reports and advance estimates be-
cause such are "gamblers' tips."

The southern cotton growers re-
cently complained against the prac-
tice on the same ground.—United
Press.

WORKMEN DIRECTORS AND
RESERVES.

In an article on Co-partnership,
"Engineering" says that some in-
teresting particulars of existing
co-partnership schemes are de-
scribed by Mr. E. W. Mundy, B.A., in a
pamphlet recently published by the
Industrial Co-partnership Association.

The outstanding example is,
of course, that of the South Metro-
politan Gas Company, whose system
dates from 80 years' back. It was
founded by Sir George Livesey
amidst a storm of depreciation and
abuse in certain sections of the
popular press, but it has proved an
outstanding success. It was, in
fact, the scheme worked out here
which was adopted as the model for
the Whitley Joint Industrial Coun-
cils. This undertaking was the
first, moreover, to appoint workmen
directors, an example which has
since been followed by a number of
other firms. The objection has
been raised that workmen gener-
ally would fail to appreciate the im-
portance of providing reserves for
depreciation and development. Mr.
Mundy states that this actually
occurred in the case of Messrs.
Hans Renold, Limited, who were
accused of "depreciating shameless-
ly" to the detriment of the co-part-
ners. When, however, the actual
fact were established by the books
and accounts of the company, the
objectors were so thoroughly satis-
fied that some even suggested an
increase of the allowance for depre-
ciation.

The claim that the full control
of the industry should be entirely
in the hands of the workers is far
less prominent to-day than it was
but a few years since, when the
trade union concerned objected to
certain workmen at Port Sun-
light taking advantage of the gen-
erous offers made to their employees
by Messrs. Lever Brothers.

THE LAUGHTER OF
CHILDREN.

Is one of the most beautiful things
in life. It is not natural for a
child to weep. Depression in the
very young is invariably a sign of
derangement of health—usually
due to one or other of the many
minor ailments to which the young
are prone.

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meet such cases. Their judicious
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health and hence happy and
bright.

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maladies arise in the stomach and
bowels. The first action of Baby's
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ishness, correct indigestion, cure
colic, check diarrhoea, allay
teething pains, relieve croup or
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Own Tablets, or post free, 60 cents
per box, from the Dr. Williams'
Medicine Co., 80, Kingsway, Road,
Shanghai.

SUGAR MARKET.

DUMPING OF BEET INTO
BRITAIN.

New York City, Oct. 21.
With the sugar market operating
on the narrow range for the past
week, it was reported here to-day
that French sugar beet producers
plan to dump 200,000 tons into
Britain at a loss in order to reduce
supplies and thereby strengthen the
French domestic market.

This, with recent sales of 150,000
tons of Cuban sugar in the English
market at forty-four points under
New York parity, is causing appre-
hension in Czechoslovakia, whose
export outlet is seriously curtailed.

It is now rumored that the plan
of Government restriction may be
tried next in Czechoslovakia.

CAPE TOWN CONGRESS.

Cape Town, Oct. 2.
Despite the protests of Mr. S. R.
Taylor, ex-President of the Upper
India Chamber of Commerce, the
Congress of the Chambers of Com-
merce of the Empire, by an over-
whelming majority, passed a resolu-
tion expressing the desirability of
a uniform system of weights and
measures throughout the Empire.

A resolution submitted on behalf
of the Upper India Chamber of
Commerce, demanding the modifica-
tion of the regulation compelling
the purchasing authorities in Crown
Colonies to place all their orders
for public requirements through the
Crown Agents in London, was the
subject of an amendment deprecating
it, in sweeping terms, the resolu-
tion, as Congress was ignorant of
the full facts.

The amendment was adopted.
A resolution drawing attention to
the injury done to the Indian
woollen, textile and carpet indus-
tries through foreign tariffs on
East Indian wool was withdrawn.
The Congress was then concluded.

CO-OPERATION AND
ENTERPRISE.

The various co-operative societies
have never earned any extraordi-
nary profits, and their rate of de-
velopment has been quite slow as com-
pared with successful contemporane-
ous private enterprises. To
earn big profits it is necessary to
break new ground and to take risks
which only the individual responsible
to himself, or to two or three
congenial partners, dare venture.

Hence, the co-operative societies
have founded no new industry, nor
have they been responsible for any
radical improvement in methods of
distribution. They have thus
avoided the risk of large losses, but
at the same time have failed to
reap the extraordinary and well-de-
served profits of successful pioneer-
ing. In this connection it is inter-
esting to note that the original
Bessemer steel works at Sheffield
earned on the average 100 per cent.
every two months during the 14
years it was owned and operated by
the original partners. The first
two years, however, showed a loss
and though there was a small profit
on the third year's operations it was
insufficient to make good the deficit
previously incurred. Both
exceptional faith and exceptional
ability were needed to make the
works a success. A similar condi-
tion of affairs arose in the case of
the early telephones. The stock of
the pioneer company could at one
time be bought for a mere fraction
of its nominal value, and the indi-
viduals who kept their faith and
saw the thing through fully deserv-
ed their ultimate high reward. It
is quite certain that no exceptional
risks will ever be undertaken by
firms with co-partnership schemes,
and whilst experience shows that
they may be very prosperous, they
will never show results in any way
comparable to those achieved by
men like Bessemer, Carnegie, Lord
Leverhulme or Ford.—"Engineering."

STEAM "ON TAP."

A contribution to steam practice,
which may have a considerable
bearing on the solution of the
smoke problem in towns, has been
made in Forest, Louisiana. This
consists in distributing steam in pipes,
erected in ferro-concrete channels
below the pavement, from the cen-
tral station to the many small
works in the district around. To
begin with, the development is
limited to the immediate neigh-
bourhood, but ultimately extension
is intended to cover the entire in-
dustrial area of the town. The
steam pressure at the station is 85
lb. per square inch and supply is
given at 70 lb. per square inch to
the consumers.—"Engineering."

THE PRICE CONTROL.

"SIMILAR POSITION TO THAT
OF RUBBER."

A SINGAPORE VIEW.

Since October 13 (says the
"Straits Times") when we publish-
ed a Reuter telegram giving details
of an announcement that an attempt
was being made to get the producers
of tin together for the purpose of
restricting output and maintaining
a price of \$300 per ton for the com-
modity, many opinions have been
expressed as to the possibility and
desirability of forming in effect a
combine.

A well-known Singaporean inform-
ant who has been in the tin trade
for many years, and who is not
altogether a surprise, it had long
been felt that something should be
done to conserve a gradually ex-
hausting reserve, to regulate out-
put to demand, and that in their
own interests producers should
unite so that they might have
something to say about prices.

At Mercy of the Market.
Hitherto, he said they have been
entirely at the mercy of the market
and have had to accept the offers
of the London market. While the
statistical position for years has
favoured high prices there has not
been much cause for grumbling.
Recently, however, the prospect of
increased output of tin from a
greatly increased number of dredges
has been given as the cause of the

slump of the past few months, over
which period tin has dropped 240
per ton. The statistical position
meanwhile, i.e., actual visible
supplies of tin, is still favourable for
the maintenance of good prices.
Thus in December last when stocks
were no greater than now tin was
between \$290 and \$300 per ton. The
price just now is round about \$260.

The drop of tin is ascribed not to
increased stocks but to the fear of
increased output in the future. As
a matter of fact our informant said,
it is due to a very big market mani-
pulation by tin dealers at home,
cleverly worked, which has resulted
in tremendous profits to the tin
ring or rings.

Larger Outputs.
In this producers had nothing
to say and our informant expressed
the opinion that at this stage, when
there might well be fear of larger
outputs, it is very timely for the
producers to get together. He
hoped their efforts would be suc-
cessful.

It had been estimated that during
the ensuing 12 months some 60 to
70 new dredges would come into
operation in Malaya and Siam, to
say nothing of the Dutch Indies.
The resultant increased output had
been variously calculated at from
10 to 21 per cent.

As the bulk of the tin output in
the future would be from dredges
under company control, some com-
panies or groups of companies con-
trolling, say, a dozen or more
dredges, it would not be a difficult
matter to bring the controlling in-

terests together, and decide on the
conditions which should govern the
industry. As the producers, they
should at least have the right to
say whether they should continue
to produce tin at unprofitable prices,
and adopt such measures as might
be possible financially to restrict
outputs to legitimate demands.

Reply to Manipulators.
"They will also find an effective
reply to the manipulators who this
year have probably made millions
sterling at their expense."
Our informant concluded by say-
ing that it was a case of rubber
outputs over again except that in
the case of tin the control
is in fewer hands and the
supplies can be limited
to demands without much diffi-
culty. Once unity is obtained, he
said, there can be no possible ob-
jection.

RUBBER EXPORTS.

STANDARD PRODUCTION
PERCENTAGE.

London, Yesterday.
It is officially announced that
the percentage of standard pro-
duction of rubber exportable at the
minimum rate of duty from Ceylon
and Malaya for the quarter from
November 1 is to be 60 per cent.—
Reuter.

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" Feet 24 18 14
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" Saddle 48 — —
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" Brains Per set 3 — 12
" Feet 15 15 —
" Fry 15 15 —
" Head 23 15 18
" Heart 18 20 —
" Kidneys 15 10 10
" Liver 15 10 10

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" Leg 38 — —
" Loins 42 60 70
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" Heart 12 8 7
" Kidneys 15 12 10
" Liver 46 28 25
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" Mutton 48 28 25
" Sausages 40 20 20

" No. 1. 28 — —

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Cuttle Fish 42 23 18
Dab 32 10 9
Dace 11 10 8
Dog Fish 40 16 —
Eel, Conger 28 10 18
" Fresh Water 32 28 30
" Yellow 70 32 25
Frogs 85 40 30
Garoupa 32 18 15
Gudgeon 30 22 18
Herrings 28 18 23
Halibut 30 22 18
Labrus 35 23 24
Loach 52 32 21
Mackerel 30 20 28
Monk Fish 40 22 23
Mullet 32 13 2
Oysters 35 16 23
Parrot Fish 34 14 9
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ended 30th June, 1927, and electing
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admission to the Members' En-
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troduce two non-members to the
Members' Enclosure, tickets for
whom can be obtained from
Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5 each
up to Friday, November 4, 1927.

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ladies to the Members' Enclosure
will be \$2. Each member can ob-
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tary, Badges for admission of two
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Hong Kong, October 29, 1927.

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HALLOWE'EN.

SCOTTISH VOLUNTEERS AS
HOSTS.

ENJOYABLE EVENING.

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Hong Kong Volunteers were the
hosts at the annual Halloween din-
ner held at Volunteer Headquarters
yesterday evening when the gather-
ing, numbering about a hundred
and twenty, was composed of mem-
bers of the Company, officers from
the Scots Guards and King's Own
Scottish Borderers, representatives
of the Scottish community and offi-
cers from other units of the Volun-
teer Corps.

The dinner was characterised by
the warmth of welcome and tradi-
tional hospitality associated with
all such gatherings of those of
Scottish nationality and the
national dishes, with their associat-
ed customs, were a feature of the
evening's proceedings.

Late Captain Logan.

At the outset of the dinner the
Chairman—Captain K. S. Mor-
rison, in command of the Scottish
Company—asked all present to
stand in two minutes silence as a
mark of observance to the memory
of the late Captain Donald Logan,
his predecessor.

After the solemn observance, the
Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald said
Grace.

An excellent meal was provided
by the Hong Kong and Shanghai
Hotels and the arrival of the Hag-
gles, borne by Acting Q.M.S. Black-
ley and the Barley Brae, carried by
Mr. B. Wylie, following Pipe Brown
playing "Hail to the Chief," was
greeted with loud applause.

Following the speeches there was
an enjoyable musical programme in
which the hosts and guests united
in the choruses of old national
favourites.

Among those supporting the
Chairman were Mr. D. Templeton
(the President of St. Andrew's
Society), Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird,
D.S.O., the Commandant of the
Hong Kong Volunteer Defence
Corps, Major Ogilvie, of the King's
Own Scottish Borderers, Mr. B.
Sutherland, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar,
Mr. K. E. Greig, Mr. C. M. Shaw,
Lieut. R. L. Moncrieff, Capt. H. B.
L. Dowling (commanding the
Mounted Section of the Volun-
teers), Mr. W. Logan, Rev. J. Kirk
Macdonald, Major Wolfe-Murray
(Adjutant of the Hong Kong

Volunteer Defence Corps), Mr. A.
K. Henderson, Mr. A. Stevenson,
Mr. B. Wylie and a number of
others, including officers of the
Guards and Borderers.

The Toasts.

The Toast of "The King" having
been honoured, the Chairman pro-
posed that of the Visitors, express-
ing the pleasure of the Scottish
Company in being honoured with
the presence of officers of the
Guards and the Borderers. They
were only too sorry that fate had
willed that the Cameronians should
not be in the Colony on that occa-
sion. It would have been some-
thing unique in the history of the
Scottish Company to have enter-
tained representatives of three
Scottish Battalions at their Hal-
lowe'en dinner.

The Chairman thanked Sergt-
Major Purves, Mr. B. Wylie, Mr.
McCubbin and all who had helped
to make the Scottish Sports such a
success and expressed regret that
Col. Comyn, Commanding the
K.O.S.B.'s, was prevented from be-
ing present that evening. They
welcomed Major Ogilvie of that
Battalion who was present and
wished to express their appreciation
for all that the Borderers had
done so willingly in helping with
the Company's training.

The toast of the Visitors was
heartily received.

Prize Presentation.

Mr. D. Templeton then presented
No. 7 Platoon with the Quarry Bay
Cup (presented by Mr. G. M. Young
for general platoon efficiency), also
with the Kee Cheong Cup (present-
ed by Mr. R. Shewan for the high-
est aggregate of points at the ath-
letic meeting). To No. 6 Platoon
was presented the Dyer Cup for in-
ter-platoon musketry and Lewis
Gun competition.

Mr. Templeton then congratulated
the two Platoons and hoped that
No. 5 Platoon would have better
luck next time. He would like to
take the opportunity of congratulat-
ing Capt. Morrison, on behalf of
the Scottish community on his pro-
motion to officer commanding the
Scottish Company. He thought
they were fortunate in having so
enthusiastic and zealous an officer
at the head. Capt. Morrison could
not, however, succeed in keeping
the Scottish Company to the high
standard of efficiency attained un-
less he had the fullest support from
all in the Company and appealed to
all ranks to co-operate to bring
about the desired result.

St. Andrew's Society's Interest.

The St. Andrew's Society, con-
tinued Mr. Templeton, took a very
deep interest in the Scottish Com-

pany and they would like to see
every youngster qualified to join
inside the Corps (hear hear).
They were appreciative of the work
of some of the older members but
if the Corps was to continue at its
present high state of efficiency it
was necessary for the younger ele-
ment to come forward.

The toast of "The Visitors" was
responded to by Major Ogilvie, who
recalled the enjoyable time spent on
the last occasion of the celebration
of Hallowe'en and expressed the
opinion that the present gathering
gave every indication of being
equally if not more, enjoyable.
Col. Comyn had asked him to say
how great an interest he personally
and the Battalion in general
took in the Volunteers and the Scot-
tish Company in particular. Any-
thing that the Borderers could do
in helping with instruction and in
other directions would be done will-
ingly. He was sure that the Scots
Guards would also do all that they
could whilst they were here (Ap-
plause).

The health of Capt. Morrison was
then submitted and received with
musical honours.

The following programme follow-
ed:

Overture... Act./Q.Q.M.S. Blackley.
Song Duet, "O' Wert Thou in the
Cauld Blast," L/Cpl. McWhirter,
Act./C.Q.M.S. Blackley.

Humorous Reminiscences.
Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.
Songs (Gaelic), (1) "Ho-Bo, My
Nut Brown Maiden,"

(2) "Marching for Dear
Charlie," Pte. M. Morrison.
Song, "We'll May the Keel Row,"
The Guisers.

Songs, (1) "The Engineer,"
(2) "The Wee House 'mang
the Heather," Pte. W. Johnson.
Selected... Mr. R. Sutherland, Sr.
Song, "I'm fu' th' neo,"

Pipes G. S. Brown.
Songs (1) "Callin' O'ua," (2) "Loch
Lomond," Act./C.Q.M.S. Blackley.
Song, "Wee Cooper o' Fife,"
L/Cpl. R. O. Sutherland.
Song, "A Wee Deoch an' Doris,"
L/Cpl. McWhirter.

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TIT FOR TAT?

SOVIET STEAMER SEIZED IN EGYPT.

Cairo, Yesterday.
According to the newspaper "Al Ahrar," the Russian steamer "Chicherin" was seized while leaving Alexandria for Odessa, with £30,000 worth of cotton recently purchased by Soviet representatives in Egypt.
The newspaper adds that the Egyptian Government is unaware of the seizure, which was ordered by the Mixed Court at the request of the Societe Maritime Egyptienne, the owners of the a.s. "Inkerman," which was seized by the Soviet early in September.—Reuter.

COMMONWEALTH LINERS.

Messrs. Daxford to Supply Engines.

The propelling machinery for the two motor vessels for the Commonwealth and Dominion Line, to be built by Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson Ltd., are to be Daxford-opposed piston oil engines, which are to be built at their Pallion Works. They will be of the four-cylinder balanced type, with bore of 600 mm. and combined stroke of 2,320, together giving 8,000 h.p. Messrs. Daxford have previously supplied the engines for the Commonwealth and Dominion Line motor vessels Port Hobart, Port Dunedin, Port Fremantle, and Port Gisborne, and these, together with their present order, amount to twelve engines with a total horse-power capacity of 40,000.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships were in port this morning:

North Wall Basin, Thracian and Sepoy; South Wall Basin, Somme, Tarantula and Onslaught; East Wall Basin, Subs. L4, L15, L19, and L20; West Wall Dock, H.S. Maine; In Dock, Durban; Talkoo Dock, Peter and Tern; Buoy 2, Danae; Buoy 3, Dragon; Buoy 4, Dauntless; Buoy 5, Iroquois; Buoy 6, Froisher; Buoy 7, Delhi; Buoy 8, Ambrose and Subs. L1, L5, L27 and L33; Buoy 10, Stormcloud and Sterling; Buoy 11, Serapis and Sirdar; Buoy 12, Bluebell; Buoy 13, Bruce; Buoy 18, Ruthenia; Buoy 20, Franco and Belgol; Buoy 27, Kharkl.

SHIPBUILDING ORDER.

Messrs. David and William Henderson and Co., Ltd., Partick, have obtained from Messrs. Frank C. Strick and Co., Ltd., London, an order for a cargo steamer 385ft. in length, 52ft. 3in. in breadth, 28ft. 3in. in depth, and of about 7,400 tons deadweight carrying capacity. The builders will supply triple-expansion reciprocating steam engines having cylinders 24½in., 41in. and 68in. in diameter respectively, and a stroke of 45in., and also two boilers working under forced draught at a pressure of 180lb. per square inch.

COASTAL SHIPS.

LATEST CHANGES IN PERSONNEL.

Mr. A. McVean, sup'y chief engineer, "Antung," is on Home leave.
Mr. A. N. McDonald, chief engineer, "Kalgan," has gone chief engineer, "Szechuen."
Mr. A. D. Armour, sup'y chief engineer, "Liangchow," has gone chief engineer, "Kalgan."
Mr. D. B. Kerr, third engineer, "Wuchang," has gone third engineer, "Kanchow."
Mr. A. Loeckerbie, third engineer, "Wuchang," has gone third engineer, "Suiyang."
Mr. R. Bain, from Home leave, has gone second engineer, "Sinkiang."
Mr. G. D. Bell, second engineer, "Sinkiang," has gone second engineer, "Newchwang."
Mr. G. Stewart, second engineer, "Newchwang," is on reserve.
Mr. A. Urwin, from reserve, has gone sup'y second engineer, "Hain Peking."
Mr. J. S. K. Oliver, from reserve, has gone sup'y third engineer, "Poyang."
Mr. A. Jeffrey, third engineer, "Poyang," has gone third engineer, "Hain Peking."
Mr. R. K. Burns, chief engineer, "Nanchang," is on reserve.
Mr. G. Stewart, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Nanchang."
Mr. R. H. Watt, third engineer, "Kungwo," is on reserve.
Mr. W. W. Colquhoun, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Kungwo."
Mr. J. M. Macleod, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Suiwo."
Mr. R. Clark, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Hangsang."
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NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.

The British Nautical Instrument Trade Association continues to make good progress in the direction of promoting efficiency in the manufacture and production of nautical instruments with the purpose of increasing the safety of navigation and shipping. Amongst other activities the association has co-operated with the Board of Trade in adjusting various technical details of the construction of ships' lifeboat compasses and a specification for salinometers. The trade has not escaped the difficult experiences of shipping generally, but better times are hoped for.

OUT OF SERVICE.

Philadelphia, Oct. 27.
The U.S.S. "Scorpion," after 29 years of service in all seas, was mustered out of commission to-day as a part of the Navy Day programme at the Philadelphia navy yard. Admiral Magruder, in charge of the ceremonies, compared the removal of the ship from the service to the retirement of an admiral.—Associated Press.

MARINE COURT.

ANCHORING IN SOUTHERN FAIRWAY.

THREE MASTERS FINED

Three masters of cargo boats were summoned before the Marine Court this morning for anchoring in the Southern fairway and thus causing an obstruction.
Two pleaded guilty and one not guilty.

In respect of the third case Police evidence was to the effect that the anchor was partially submerged and that efforts were being made to pull it up.
The first two accused were fined \$10 and the third \$5.

THE EMPIRE AND THE OIL-TANKER.

It was recently stated that while in the past wars had been fought and industrial conflicts waged to determine the possession of coal-fields and their ultimate development for the profit of the victor, in the future such campaigns would be conducted for the control of the oil-fields of the world. If this be so, it is a matter of great interest to the British Empire, for we shall be more than ever forced to take steps to maintain a world-wide system of oil-supply facilities for sea, land and air transport, to ensure a supply of oil products for various purposes at home and overseas and to develop our Imperial oil resources to the fullest possible extent. Even without dealing with the questions of high politics, which such speculations involve, it is significant to note that there is no more interesting factor in post-war history than the increasing use of oil fuel, both on sea and on land, and that more and more activities are placing reliance upon petroleum and its products for their development. Since, however, the oilfields of the world—at least, those which have so far been exploited—are not equally distributed over the earth's surface, and since the places where utilisation is to take place are as often as not remote from the oil-fields themselves, means of transport between the two are necessary and are constantly being increased. In fact, within a comparatively short time a large fleet of ships of all sizes up to and exceeding 20,000 tons capacity has been built for transporting millions of tons of petroleum to every quarter of the globe.—Engineering.

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KASHGAR	9,005	24th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,953	7th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	7th Jan.	Straits & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	21st Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,953	4th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
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KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MACEDONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,985	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MANTUA	10,946	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KALYAN	9,144	2nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MONGOLIA	16,004	17th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	13th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,953	27th April	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	11th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

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AEROPLANES TO BE CARRIED.

As recently reported in "The Journal of Commerce," an ambitious scheme is on foot in the United States for a daily service of express steamers between Long Island (New York) and Plymouth, the passage to occupy four days. Further particulars which are now available, state that the service, which is to be operated with ten vessels with a speed ranging from thirty to thirty-five knots, will have a sailing schedule "which will enable passengers to reach London in time for dinner on the evening of the fourth day out from Montauk Point (Long Island), or to arrive in Paris at midnight of the same day."

Aeroplanes are to be carried on the ships for the transfer of mail from ship to shore, as well as for the benefit of passengers who may desire to go to a few hours more from the time of passage by flying from ship to shore when the vessel arrives within a day or so of either side. It is also planned to have aeroplanes available for transportation of passengers from Montauk Point to interior points, such as Boston, Chicago or Montreal, reducing the time of travel by whole days.

The ten vessels are to be operated under the U.S. flag, and are to be built in one of the Atlantic coast shipyards. The tentative plans prepared by Mr. Ernest H. Rigg, the well-known American naval architect, provide for quadruple screw turbine-driven vessels of 20,000 tons gross register, with accommodation for 400 or more first-class passengers in comfortable cabins arranged on the lines of Pullman car staterooms and with space for about 500 tons of first-class freight.

They are to be 800 feet long, 80 feet beam, and 24.9 feet draft, with four funnels. The turbines will develop 100,000 to 130,000 horsepower. Steam for the turbines will be raised in twelve boilers with stream line funnels set at one side of the vessel so as to provide adequate deck space for the landing and launching of the auxiliary aeroplanes.

Tests With Models.

Tests have been made in the Naval Basin at Washington with 20-foot models of the proposed vessels, in order to determine the most suitable form of hull, type of rudder, and other construction details. Further tests are to be made.

Among those known to be connected with the project are Messrs. H. B. Walker, president of the American Steamship Owners' Association and former president of the old Dominion Line; Joseph E. Sheedy, former vice-president of the Merchant Fleet Corporation in charge of European affairs, and Laurence R. Wilder, president of the American Brown Boveri Electric Corporation. The concern is to be known as the New York-Boston-Paris Steamship Co. (The Ribbion Line). It is stated that the project will have the backing of the Pennsylvania Railroad by reason of its control of the Long Island Railroad, which would form an important link in the proposed service, inasmuch as the bulk of the passenger traffic would pass through New York to and from Montauk Point.

Mr. Wilder arrived at Plymouth on September 16 (as reported in "The Journal of Commerce" at the time), and it is understood, is making a survey of the terminal facilities at Havre and Plymouth on behalf of his associates in the new enterprise. It is also understood that plans have been under consideration for the improvement of the railway terminal facilities at Plymouth with a view to facilitating the proposed service.

By means of the ships' railway connections at Montauk Point, Plymouth and Havre, it is pointed out, passengers may travel from New York to London, Paris, or other European capital without the inconvenience of exposure to the elements. By reason of the high speed of the vessels sheltered promenades will be provided for the passengers.

A Washington message states that construction of these high-speed vessels, it was pointed out at a shipping authority, who declare the plan to be entirely feasible, would provide the U.S. with a fleet of naval auxiliaries available for scouting or other auxiliary service in time of war, thus avoiding the necessity for building 10,000-ton cruisers at an average cost of \$2,000,000 each. Instead of drawing on the taxpayers for their maintenance as in the case of cruisers and other purely naval vessels, the proposed vessels would be self-supporting.

The Scheme Discussed.

The scheme has been the subject of much discussion among shipping men in New York, and while some doubt was expressed as to the commercial practicability of the project by reason of the high cost of building and operating vessels of such size and speed, it was generally admitted that the building of such vessels would be entirely practicable.

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As to the cost of the ten vessels mentioned by the promoters of the project, it was estimated that they could not be built for much less than about \$3,000,000 each, or a total of \$30,000,000. To offset this it was stated that the promoters of the company propose to ask the Government for an allowance of \$1,800,000 a year for carrying the Transatlantic mails, in addition to a loan from the construction loan fund of the Shipping Board to help to finance the project.

The Board is empowered by section 11 of the Merchant Marine Act to extend aid from this fund up to two-thirds of the cost of vessels "of the best and most efficient type" to be constructed for operation under the U.S. flag, taking as security a first lien on the vessels and such other guarantees as may be deemed advisable. The fund now amounts to upward of \$25,000,000.

THE MOTOR SHIP AND TRADE ROUTES.

The true economist of our day is the engineer. Throughout his whole career one of his main quests is the provision of means for the reduction of costs, whether they be first costs, running expenses, repairs or replacement. He measures the value of his work in terms of the percentage efficiency of the plant he makes or uses, and is content with that. There are, however, other issues which show his value to the community, such as are the direct or indirect results of the improvement he has effected. In simple, any increase in the efficiency of a machine may have the effect of cheapening production to the extent necessary to cut out competition and to lead to the deflection of trade, and new type of plants and processes are evolved and yields are increased, the older machinery becomes obsolete and competition dictates its replacement. The aim of the engineer then to obtain even an extra 1 per cent. in efficiency may have an effect upon industry and employment, which at first sight might appear quite out of proportion. An interesting example of the effects of increased efficiency is to be found in a consideration of the results of the use of oil engines for ship propulsion. The introduction of oil-engine propulsion for ships has had many effects, amongst them the alteration of trade routes, a demand for new vessels to meet the changed competition and the rendering available the resources of some parts of the world for the first time.—Engineering.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The s.s. "President McKinley" of the American Mail Line, arrived from Manila yesterday morning and will sail for Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama tomorrow at 1 p.m.

The G.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" is due at Hong Kong today. She will sail for Manila at 5 p.m. tomorrow.

The M.V. "Formosa" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on September 30, and is due here on or about November 8.

The s.s. "Porthos" is expected to arrive in Hong Kong on November 9.

The s.s. "Venezia" (D. & Co.) sailed from Colombo on October 26, and is due here on November 10.

The s.s. "Calcutta" (D. & Co.) is due to sail from Sydney on November 10, and is expected here on or about December 4.

The M.V. "Remus" (D. & Co.) sailed from Trieste on October 24, and is expected to arrive here on December 8.

The s.s. "Wray Castle" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on October 16, and is expected here on or about December 10.

FRENCH HONOUR FOR TYNE CAPTAIN.

At Newcastle, Captain J. H. Courtney, of the steamer "Nestlea," of Newcastle, was presented with a bronze plaque awarded by the French Government for services in rescuing the crew of the French schooner "Trieux" in December, 1925, under exceptional circumstances. In a heavy gale the "Nestlea" went to the assistance of the schooner, which was so knocked about that they could only get the lifeboats a few yards off owing to wreckage, and the crew of seven had to take leaps into the lifeboat at a risk to themselves and those in a boat.

FLETTNER RUDDERS ON FERRY STEAMERS.

The Flettner rudders with which the two new Wallasey ferry steamers, "Wallasey" and "Marlowe," are fitted having given so much satisfaction, the Wallasey Corporation Ferries are stated to be seriously considering the question of equipping all the steamers of the fleet with this rudder.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Sphinx" are reminded to send in their claims before November 2. Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Benreoch," are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after November 4.

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J. LIMAGE,

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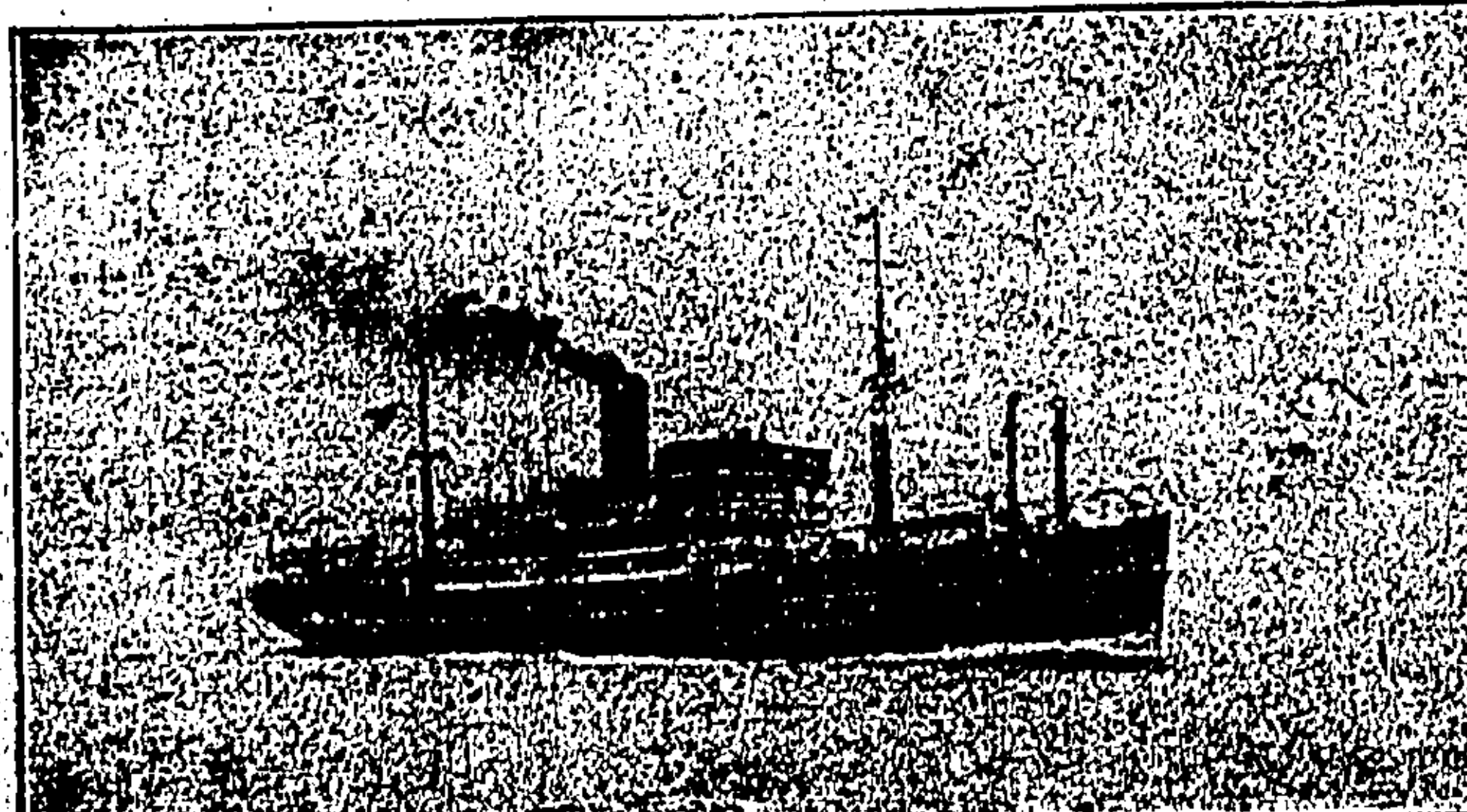
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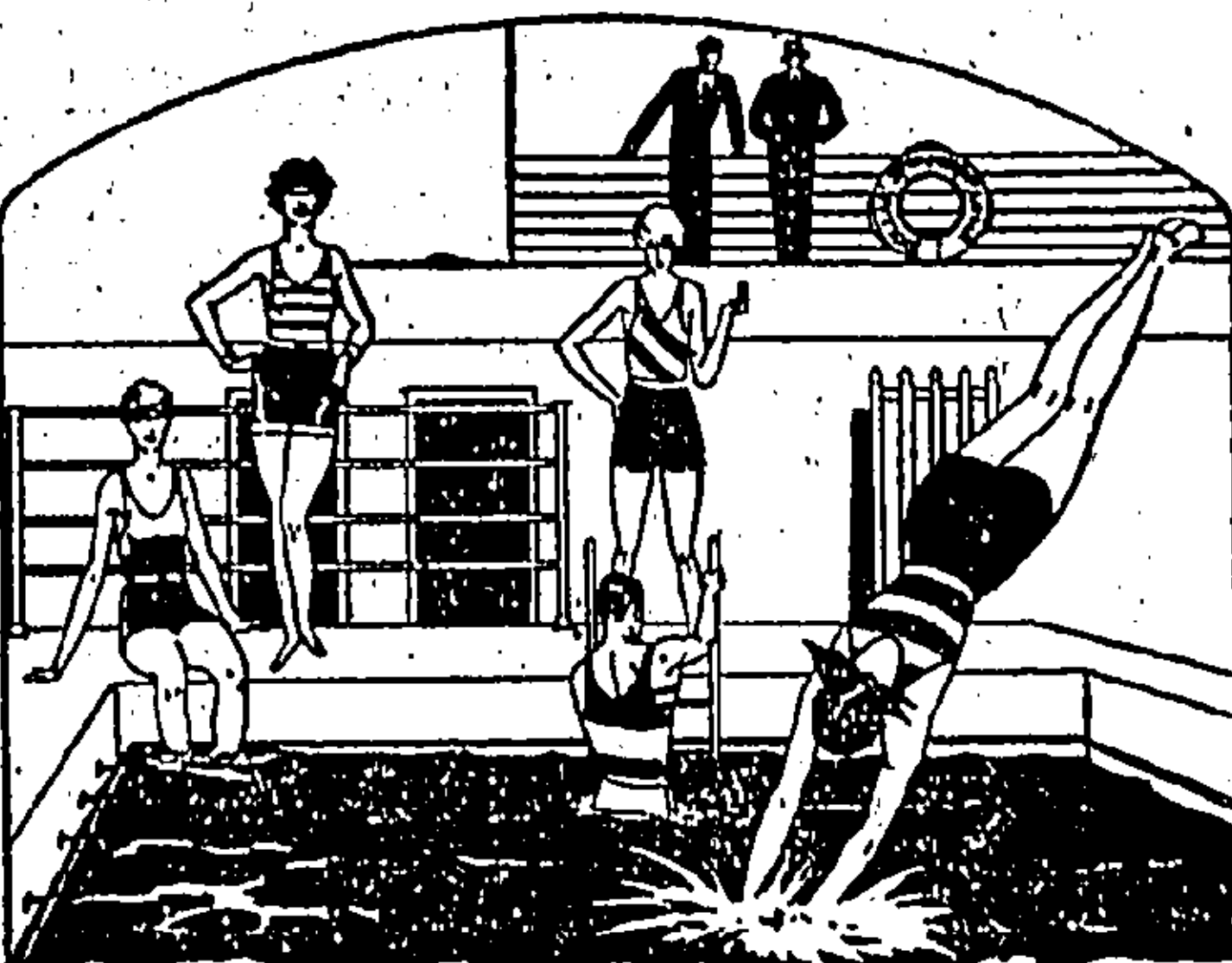
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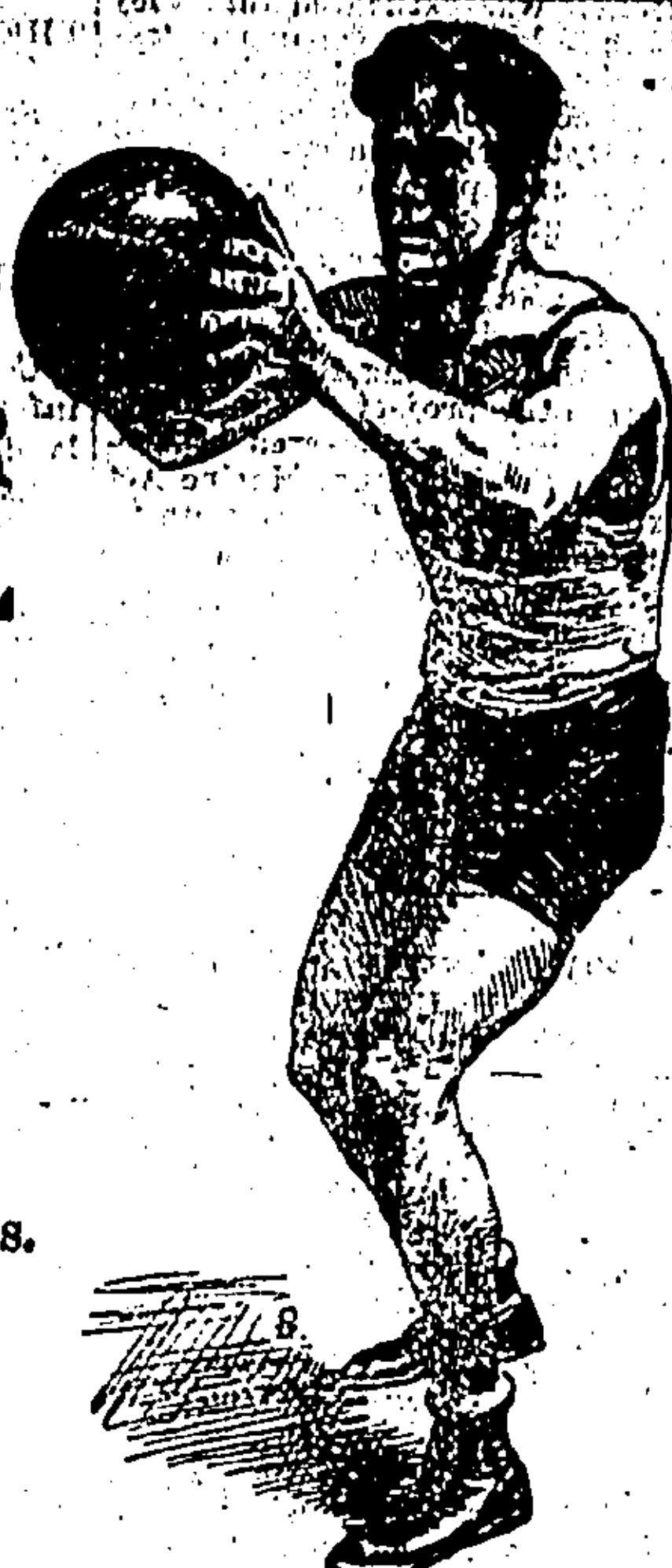
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"IRENE" PIRACY COMMENT.

Whilst the preliminary hearing of the case against the seven suspects in the "Irene" piracy is proceeding, nothing can naturally be said so far as they individually are concerned. That is a matter for the Court. There are, however, some general aspects of piracy that have been commented upon by our Shanghai contemporaries, some of that comment following the lines already appearing in the Press of this Colony. Thus, "Shipping and Engineering" states that although the "Irene" incident may have taught the pirates a lesson, it is a moot point whether what it teaches "each for himself," but of the soul-saving kind, with one's own soul in mind every time. For it is only when we begin to see that happiness and contentment are to be obtained for each of us through the ability to govern ourselves, and that the game of governing other people does little good to them or to us—it is only then that we possess any chance of even retaining our own soul. This individualism amounts to, in fact, leaving the other fellow alone; stop meddling, stop ministering, stop improving and guiding. It is a cult which should not be adopted merely by missionaries, parsons, social reformers, and other professional anti-individualists, but by everybody. If there is anything in our individualism, we surely are finding out that life is a simpler and happier thing than we thought. But we must be allowed to live our own life and do that which seems best to us as individuals. Which does not mean that we should attempt to back over the traces of law and order or fail to observe the ordinary decencies of life. It means that we should brook no outside interference with our mode of thought or living, however kindly intended. The kinder the advice or guidance the more personal it may prove to be. Trouble, complications, and calamities only arise when we depart from this simple conception, and each, forgetting his own part in the scheme of things, sets out to put others right.

During the week ended October 29, two fatal cases of enteric fever (Chinese) were notified. During the 24 hours ended yesterday, other two cases were notified also Chinese.

At the weekly meeting of the Theosophical Society on Sunday, the local Chinese Lodge, T.S., gave an interesting lecture on "Concubinage."

the only possible action in an emergency without spending an hour or so looking up the technicalities of the matter in his reference books. "We want," says the paper quoted, "public confessions of the fact that it gives us real satisfaction that a man of our own breed had the initiative and courage to fire on a ship of unknown nationality sailing into Bias Bay without lights." Our contemporary adds that "the Chinese expect us to cheer such action, as in line with our best traditions." It would be hard to find in any Chinese heart disapproval of an act of violence against a pirate ship, which was actually what the "Irene" was when L4 overhauled her." No further comment than that is necessary at this juncture!

Back to Individualism.

Is it true, as Sir Ernest Benn asserts, that we are getting back to individualism? It sounds too good. The individualism we mean is not of the selfish kind, that which teaches "each for himself," but of the soul-saving kind, with one's own soul in mind every time. For it is only when we begin to see that happiness and contentment are to be obtained for each of us through the ability to govern ourselves, and that the game of governing other people does little good to them or to us—it is only then that we possess any chance of even retaining our own soul. This individualism amounts to, in fact, leaving the other fellow alone; stop meddling, stop ministering, stop improving and guiding. It is a cult which should not be adopted merely by missionaries, parsons, social reformers, and other professional anti-individualists, but by everybody. If there is anything in our individualism, we surely are finding out that life is a simpler and happier thing than we thought. But we must be allowed to live our own life and do that which seems best to us as individuals. Which does not mean that we should attempt to back over the traces of law and order or fail to observe the ordinary decencies of life. It means that we should brook no outside interference with our mode of thought or living, however kindly intended. The kinder the advice or guidance the more personal it may prove to be. Trouble, complications, and calamities only arise when we depart from this simple conception, and each, forgetting his own part in the scheme of things, sets out to put others right.

IN THE NEWS.

ITEMS FROM TO-DAY'S POLICE REPORTS.

A goldsmith of Shanghai Street, Yaumati, has reported to the Police that yesterday he entrusted an assistant with \$400 to come over to Hong Kong to purchase gold leaf. The latter has since absconded.

A Chinese man of no fixed abode was yesterday taken to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries received as the result of jumping from the third floor verandah of No. 7, Cross Street in the course of a raid by police Inspector Bloor.

Three Chinese have been arrested by the Police for breaking into the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Company's godown in Des Voeux Road and stealing 81 slabs of antimony ore valued at \$625. The stolen ore has been recovered.

The driver of a motor bus owned by the China Motor Bus Company has reported to the police that whilst he was driving the bus on the Kowloon City Road yesterday, it was run into by a Chinese youth who rode a bicycle out of a side street. The youth was thrown clear of the bus, but sustained cuts to his face, which necessitated his removal to the Kowloon Hospital.

POLICE RESERVE.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME FOR THIS WEEK.

EFFICIENT MEMBERS.

The following orders have been issued by the Captain Superintendent of Police:—

Chinese Company.

Strength.—Constable R.54 Tean Yung is permitted to resign upon leaving the Colony for good as from October 26.

Indian Company.

Training.—The following members of the Indian Company have been passed out as efficient in Part 1:—
Constables: R.244 N. N. Zaveri, R. 249 Mehari Din, R.241 Sultan Ahmed, R.245 Gual Chand, R.250 Abdul Hamid.
The following is the result of the examination in Part 2 (Knowledge of Police duties and Regulations) held on Thursday, October 27.
Passed with credit.—Constables: R.235 Mohamed Ramzan, R.239 S. Karim Bakh.
Passed.—Constables: R.208 Ajit Singh, R.221 R. Guleria, R.224 Jethanand, R.237 Noor Ahmed, R.246 V. T. Thad.

Flying Squad.

Training.—The following members of the Flying Squad have been passed out as efficient in Part 1:—
Constables: R.311 Yeung Siu Tin, R.327 Look Kung, R.342 Chung Yee Fun, R.343 Mok Fung Yee.
The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong section on Thursday, November 3, will start from Central Police Station at usual at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

Training.—Part 3 (Musketry).

The following Police Reservists will attend at the Kennedy Road Revolver Range in mufti on Saturday, November 4, at 2.30 p.m. sharp for instruction in revolver shooting under Inspector H. J. Paterson:—
15 men to be detailed by O.C. Chinese Company.
15 men to be detailed by O.C. Indian Company.
5 men to be detailed by O.C. Flying Squad.

Police Training School.

Classes for instruction in Part 2 of training course will be held at the Police Training School under Inspector H. J. Paterson on Thursday, November 3 and Tuesday, November 8, commencing both evenings at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Training.—Part 1 (Squad Drill).

All members of the Police Reserve who have not yet been passed out as efficient in Part 1 will parade in mufti at the Central Police Station for Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises under Sergeant R. J. Hunt as follows:—
Chinese and Indian Companies on Thursday, November 3, and Tuesday, November 8.
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The driver of a motor bus owned by the China Motor Bus Company has reported to the police that whilst he was driving the bus on the Kowloon City Road yesterday, it was run into by a Chinese youth who rode a bicycle out of a side street. The youth was thrown clear of the bus, but sustained cuts to his face, which necessitated his removal to the Kowloon Hospital.

LIEUT.-COL. P. H. FAWCETT.

New York, Oct. 7.

An expedition will start shortly for Rio de Janeiro, under the leadership of Commander George Dyott, with the twofold object of getting into touch with Lieut. Colonel P. H. Fawcett, and investigating the stories about the existence of ruins of the ancient Incas in Central Brazil.

RELIEF OF POOR.

WORK OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

SOCIETY'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The following are extracts from the report of the Central Council of St. Vincent de Paul for last year and the statement for the first nine months of this year which shows that the Society has during the past year distributed over \$17,000 in the relief of the poor in Hong Kong.

The expenditure in 1926 was \$55.85 in excess of the receipts. In presenting this report and statement of accounts the Council thanks to the public of Hong Kong for their general response to the Society's two annual appeals—the "Our Poor Day" Sale of Roses and the "Al Fresco Fete." It has been gratifying to note that these two chief sources of the Society's income were not too adversely affected by the general business depression and the conditions then prevailing. This was some tribute to the confidence bestowed upon the Society by the public in entrusting it with their alms; a proof of practical assistance which has been very cordially appreciated by the Council and by all those who worked, so hard and so devotedly, for the success of the Fete. The net proceeds last year were \$18,488.16, an amount against \$14,849.83 in 1925.

The Society is gratefully indebted to Mr. C. A. da Roza, A.S.A.A. for auditing the accounts.

During the nine months—January to September, 1927—the Society contributed to the maintenance of 180 families comprising 226 persons, irrespective of race, nationality or creed, and 1296 visits were made to the Poor in their homes. The expenditure for the first nine months of this year was \$5,961.60, as against \$5,504.00 for the same period in 1926. The Society has also assisted the children of these poor people with shoes and clothing to the extent of \$164.50.

Housing Accommodation. In consequence of the acute trade depression and the consequent increase in the number of the unemployed the Society no little anxiety during the period under report.

This is revealed by the appreciable increase of relief for rent, which in 1926 amounted to \$901.20, whilst for the nine months—January to September, 1927—assistance to the extent of \$1,692.40 has already been given, of which grants to the extent of \$263.20 were made to assist some distressed families in their plight against distraint for rent. For certain families, whose special circumstances justified such a course, the Society now leased No. 23 Kwong Ming Street, a four storeyed building at Wanchai, situated close to school and hospital. At a cost of \$180.00 each floor has been divided into cubicles, according to the needs of the various families. Electric Light has also been installed on the premises at a cost of \$55.00.

Passages for Distressed Persons. The Society had again to deal with a large number of applications for passages to other ports where the applicants hoped to find better opportunities of earning a living. Passages were provided only in those cases which, after careful investigation, were found deserving. But as among the applicants there are many who are entire strangers to the Colony, it is very difficult for any charitable association to satisfy itself as to the merits of such cases. In this connection, the Council feels glad to announce to its benefactors that the centralization scheme referred to in our last year's report has been established under the style of "General Charities Organisation Committee." It is financed by the various charitable Societies of the assistance of the Government, and each subscribing Society. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has made a grant of \$100.00 as its first annual contribution towards the expenses of the Organisation, which it is hoped will be a permanent institution.

Education of Children. This is a work to which the Society devotes much of its time and attention. 86 children are receiving an English education at the expense of the Society, and 187 boys are attending the Vernacular School—the Kallap School—at Wanchai. The excess of expenditure over receipts on account of this school during the nine months ended September 30, 1927, was \$1,012.00, besides which a grant of \$83.00 was made for school furniture for the new branch school.

The Society is also assisting a Vernacular School for Chinese girls, the Tak Ying at Wanchai. It pays the fees of some of the poor girls attending this school, and in 1926 the amount so expended was \$227.60.

Under the head of Education the Society spent for the nine months January to September, 1927, \$201.58 for books and stationery, and \$37.00 on tram bus and fares for poor children living at a distance from school. The total expenditure for education in 1926 was \$4,081.29.

The Council welcomes the establishment in Hong Kong of an Industrial School, conducted by the Salesian Fathers. The excellent work done by these Fathers throughout the world in the education and industrial training of youth is well known. They have a large house in London, at Battersea, and many other establishments in Great Britain. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Hong Kong has always experienced considerable difficulty in finding employment for boys who have received no training in any trade, and the opening of this Industrial School in the Colony should go a long way towards relieving the Society of this difficulty.

In our last year's report we stated that the Little Sisters of the Poor had acquired a property at Ngau Chi Wan—near Kowloon City—and that the buildings thereon were being converted into suitable quarters for the aged poor of both sexes. The Council is pleased to announce that this new and enlarged Home has started its career of usefulness. It has accommodation for 100 inmates, and later on when times are better the Little Sisters hope to extend the building so as to be able to relieve a greater number of the aged poor.

Help Hong Kong's Poor. In presenting this brief record of the Society's work during the year the Council feels that it can again appeal with confidence to the generosity of the Hong Kong public—both on the occasion of the Street Sale of Roses on Thursday, December 1, and at the "Al Fresco Fete" which will be held this year on December 4. The Society depends almost entirely on these two public appeals for the maintenance and extension of its work among the poor of this Colony.

FIRE BRIGADE.

ANNUAL DRILL DISPLAY TO-MORROW.

INTERESTING PROGRAMME.

The Fire Brigade are holding their annual drill display at the Central Fire Station to-morrow afternoon, starting at 3 p.m., when the new motor cycle combination and pump will be seen in action. A lengthy and interesting programme has been drawn up as follows:—

Picking up an Inebriate Person. "Fireman's lift" (20 men). (a) As a male (by numbers). Front and rear rank respectively. (b) As a female (in quick time). Front and rear rank respectively.

Despatch Box Competition Drill. (Final). Two crews per drill.

(a) 3 men drill.

(b) 2 men drill.

(c) 1 man drill.

Note:—Time taken from "whistle" until water jet strikes and revolves target.

Motor Escape Competition Drill. (Final). Two crews per drill.

Effect rescue of 2 persons from 2nd floor by carrying down, and hydrant to work on 1st floor, which is assumed involved.

Note:—Time taken from "Whistle" until water jet strikes ground and man carrying 2nd person touches ground.

Jumping Sheet. An irregular but useful means of escape.

Escape by Canvas Chute. 1st aid to the injured by Ambulance Attendants. (Last man down).

(This method, although not in general use by Brigades, has been adopted here with a view to effecting a quick rescue of a large number of persons as might be found on any one floor of a Chinese tenement dwelling. An average of 12 persons a minute can be rescued in this manner).

Cycle Combination & Pump. Motor Pump Competition Drill. (Final). Two crews to compete.

Appliance to be driven from starting position on Praya and got to work, using 2 lengths of suction hose.

(a) One delivery to work, jet to strike and revolve target.

(b) Shift damaged hose (a) and get 2nd (additional) delivery to work.

Note:—Time taken from "whistle" (appliance behind starting line) until whole drill is completed, e.g., both jets strike and revolve targets.

Use of "Foam Compound."—Extinctors on Burning Liquid.

Pumping by No. 3 Fire Float.

A. Deck monitors at work suitable for junks and other small craft.

C. Tower monitor suitable for all kinds of ship fires.

4" hose used for land fires, ships and for feeding land motor pumps.

Four Motor Pumps at work using delivery from each.

At whistle. Additional branch to work.

At whistle. Series pumping. (This method demonstrates how the Brigade would work supporting the fire occurred at a considerable distance from the water supply).

Turntable Ladders.—A very useful appliance for high buildings. Also used as a water tower and when other ladders cannot be pitched to buildings.

Competitive Events.

The display is expected to last about an hour, and in addition to the above programme, there will also be the finals of the competition drills for the Fire Escape Cup and the Fire Brigade Shield, and money prizes.

The competition for the Shield will include motor pump drill and despatch box drill for one, two and three men respectively.

The Fire Escape Cup has been in competition since 1924 and there is keen rivalry between the various squads for the honour of having the names of their members inscribed on it.

The Fire Brigade Shield is a trophy of much longer existence having been in competition since 1904, and is a "throw back" to the old steam engine days. The Shield was presented for competition by the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, and in the old days the drills for this Shield took the form of fire drill on board ships in harbour. The competition now is confined to the modern motor pump and despatch box drill.

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IRENE PIRACY.

PRELIMINARY TRIAL OF SUSPECTS.

Case For Prosecution.

GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION OF THE OUTRAGE.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the Assistant Crown Solicitor, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, related the full story of the China Merchants S.S. Company's s.s. "Irene" by pirates about a fortnight ago, and how the piracy was frustrated by the timely appearance of the submarine L4.

The occasion was the opening of the preliminary hearing by Mr. R. E. Lindsell of the case against the seven alleged pirates who were rescued from the burning "Irene" and brought to Hong Kong by the Submarine L4.

The accused appeared in the dock in the following order: Lau Hing, Li Kwong, Wong Tim, Hung Kwan, Chan Hi, Tse Wa and Chan Shing. Only Hung Kwan was legally represented, his counsel being Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, Jun., who was instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, sen. The case was watched in the interest of the owners of the "Irene" by Mr. C. A. S. Russ.

Appearing with Mr. Whyte-Smith as Police prosecuting officer was Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Investigation.

After submitting to the Magistrate amended charges showing alterations made in the amounts and articles previously set out as having been stolen from various passengers, explaining that the error was due to some of the witnesses stating the total value of what they had lost instead of what was actually stolen from them, Mr. Whyte-Smith proceeded to outline the case against the accused.

He said that the witnesses who would be called by the prosecution were divided into three groups. The first lot would tell the story of the piracy, and these were the officers and crew of the "Irene" who would speak about the seizure of the ship, and passengers who would tell of acts of robbery, and of acts endangering life. The second group were naval witnesses who would tell of the firing on the "Irene" and the capture of some of the accused, while the third lot of witnesses would give police evidence, which would deal with the identification parades.

Proceeding to deal with the alleged piracy, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that the "Irene" which was a combined passenger and cargo vessel of 826 tons with a total crew of 98, including six European officers, left Shanghai on October 17 with 165 passengers bound for Amoy. She also carried on the voyage an amount of cargo which was not of much value.

When the Piracy Started.

About 8.10 a.m., on October 19 when the "Irene" had got past the Ockseu Lighthouse on Ockseu Islands, about ten miles off the light, the piracy started. The Chief Officer was on the bridge at the time, while the Master, Second Officer and Second Engineers were at breakfast in the saloon. The piracy, needless to say, was committed by some of the passengers, and the pirates appeared to number 15 men.

It was a little uncertain as to how the piracy started, but the raid appeared to have broken out simultaneously in different parts of the ship, where shots were heard. Following the shots, the officers in the saloon heard shouts and the noise of many feet rushing about. Then before they could decide what steps to take, seven or eight men armed with small firearms entered the saloon, firing at random as they came in. However, his Worship would hear evidence that a messenger in the saloon was hit by a bullet in the chest, and collapsed. The pirates who entered the saloon spoke "pidgin" English and demanded the surrender of the officers' firearms. After they had searched the officers, the pirates took them into a cabin. The only officer who had a revolver was the Chief Officer and this was taken away from him by the pirates, together with 50 rounds of ammunition. The officers were given a certain amount of freedom after this, and were told to carry on with their ordinary duties.

Chief Officer Covered.

In the meantime, two pirates had rushed on to the bridge and there covered the Chief Officer with revolvers. A little later the Master of the ship went on the bridge, and then the investigation of the vessel was carried on under the direction of the pirates, who at first gave orders for the captain to steer in the direction of Hong Kong.

The pirates allowed the officers to have their meals whenever they wanted, and themselves stayed a great deal in the saloon, taking their food and smoking opium there. The pirates were, however, very strict on one or two points. They gave the officers very strict instructions to give all passing ships a wide berth. When the vessel did subsequently pass a ship, the pirates went down flat on the deck and covered the officers with revolvers. This happened on every subsequent occasion that a ship was passed.

Another order which the officers had from the pirates was to observe all due formalities, and therefore when they passed a British warship, the Master of the "Irene" dipped his flag. Things continued in this way until October 20 when the "Irene" passed the Mendoza Islands. At this point the officers were given instructions to alter the course for Bias Bay, they were also given instructions to have the lifeboats ready, and to go into the bay without lights.

The Submarine Appears.

Mr. Whyte-Smith then turned to the second part of the case, and dealt with the actions of the submarine L4. The L4 was in a position about a mile north of Bate Island, and Lieut. Halahan was in charge. When he saw the "Irene" entering the bay with the lights dimmed, he was immediately suspicious, and gave the signal for the "Irene" to stop immediately. As this order was not taken any notice of Lieut. Halahan turned his searchlight on the "Irene" and again signalled her, but there was still no reply. A live round was then fired across the "Irene's" bow, and this seemed to have some effect as the "Irene's" engine appeared to stop for a few minutes. Soon afterward, however, Lieut. Halahan saw by the swirl of the propeller that the ship was again moving, so he fired at the ship, aiming at the engine room. As this did not appear to have any effect, he next fired an explosive shell which landed on the counter of the "Irene". The explosion of this shell killed three or four men who were constantly firing revolvers at the submarine, at a range of a few hundred yards only.

Fire Breaks Out.

At this time the "Irene" was going full speed ahead and Lieut. Halahan had to manoeuvre for position. Three more shots were fired at the "Irene" the last two being high explosives. The last one hit the "Irene's" steam pipes and caused a fire to break out. Men were observed jumping off the "Irene" soon after the fire had broken out, so Lieut. Halahan immediately went to the rescue, and the naval men began pulling people out of the water. One of the first men to be pulled out of the water behaved in a peculiar manner in that he resisted the naval men's attempt to rescue him. This man would be said to be the third accused. On this man was found a pistol magazine clip with eight rounds of ammunition in it.

The second man to be taken out of the water was the first accused. He also had a pistol magazine clip on him and this contained nine rounds of ammunition. These two men and the second accused were identified on the spot were tied up. The L4 took altogether 225 people on board. Four people were seen to lose their lives. Two women met their death by falling to the deck of the submarine and two others were drowned. As far as could be ascertained, the number of missing from the "Irene" was 24. The rescued people were all brought to Hong Kong by the L4 and the other four accused were taken in by the H.M.S. "Doh" which later arrived on the scene. All the accused were taken to the Water Police Station, whilst the other people were taken over to Central Station.

Concluding, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that all there remained to be mentioned was that various identification parades were held, and as far as he could say, the least number of identification against any one of the accused was 11, and the largest 40.

Captain's Evidence.

Capt. J. H. Jahnsen, of the "Irene" then gave evidence bearing out in the main Mr. Whyte-Smith's opening speech.

He said that the passengers were not searched when they boarded the vessel at Shanghai. After speaking about the seizure of the "Irene" by the pirates, Capt. Jahnsen said that the first, third, fourth and fifth accused were amongst the men who held the officers up in the saloon. The third accused was the man who searched him, and also demanded the ship's arms. He replied that there were no arms as the ship's usual run was between North China and Shanghai. The third accused then held him by the back of the neck and led him on deck.

When the pirates had searched his cabin, they allowed him to go on the bridge. Here he found the Chief Officer guarded by second accused who had a pistol in his hand. Second accused spoke very good English and when told witness to steer for Hong Kong, he (witness) mentioned Bias Bay to the accused and the latter said "By-and-by I speak".

Second accused had a conversation with the witness on the bridge and said he had been ten years in London and another ten in San Francisco. He had been employed on an American steamer for many years. The conversation concluded by second accused promising the Captain a good "cumshaw" if everything went well. As a preliminary this pirate gave the witness 12 tins of cigarettes.

During the conversation the captain noticed the first, third, fourth and fifth accused together with others bring up clothing and other property from the lower deck. He also saw the commander's son-in-law being led to the stern by the pirates.

15 to 20 Pirates.

In witness's opinion there were 15 to 20 pirates. The third accused visited his cabin about an hour after the ship was seized and handed him \$700 in Shanghai currency for safe custody. This money was placed in the safe and after testing the lock accused went away satisfied. About half-an-hour later the man returned and asked for the money.

The witness was pretty free in the course of the day but was twice visited by the fourth accused who gave him instructions about passing ships. The British warship was passed on October 20. She signalled out all the witness could do was to dip his flag.

That evening they reached Bate Island at 8 o'clock and a few minutes later they sighted the hull of the L4. Captain Jahnsen then repeated what Mr. Whyte-Smith had said about the subsequent happenings.

"Put Out To Sea."

Soon after the L4 was sighted the pirates ordered the Captain to take to one of the boats and put out to sea with the pirates on board. This was not done because they were interrupted by gunfire from the L4.

When the panic was at its height, three pirates chased the captain all over the ship, but he managed to evade them in spite of the fact that they fired shots at him.

The "Irene" was set on fire by the fourth or fifth shot from the L4. He could not say, however, how many shots were fired altogether, he was too confused.

When the fire started the Chief Officer was cut off from the rest of the ship. They saw the commander bleeding all over the face and they handed him a lifebuoy and told him to jump overboard and they followed suit.

In the water the Captain noticed a Chinese and, thinking it was the wounded commander, he swam towards the man, but when he realised it was the third accused, he swam away again, and eventually boarded the L4. The third accused also struck out for the L4, but seemed to change his mind before reaching the vessel and was seen to alter his direction. A British sailor dived in after the third accused and took him forcibly to the submarine. The first and second accused were also taken on board the submarine later and they were bound up on being identified.

All the undefended accused had no questions to ask the Captain, except No. 3, who asserted that he was only acting as interpreter for the pirates. The Captain replied emphatically that No. 3 was the man who gave him the \$700 for safe keeping, and who grabbed him by the back of the neck and led him on deck.

Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, Jun., reserved his cross-examination of the Captain until this afternoon.

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SUBMARINE'S ACTION.

Will the Pirates Be Defeated?

It seems (says "Shipping and Engineering") that already there are two distinct schools of opinion on the China Coast as regards the action of the commander of the British submarine L4 in stopping the s.s. "Irene" in the manner he did when that vessel was entering Bias Bay in full control of pirates; some holding that his action was unnecessarily drastic, and others that it was just the action called for at the time. It is one of those affairs in regard to which there inevitably must be a wide divergence of opinion, a divergence that is accentuated by the fact that the "Irene" happened to be a Chinese-owned ship operating under the Chinese flag. It is not our intention to discuss whether or not the commander of the L4 was wholly justified in taking the action he did when the "Irene" failed to reply to his signals, for such a discussion would be productive of not the slightest good, but rather to comment as we have commented for years, on the basic responsibility for the piracy evil in South China waters: the responsibility of the Canton Government.

The "Irene" incident has undoubtedly taught the pirates a lesson which they will not forget in a hurry, but none the less it is still a moot question whether the success of the "Irene" attack will seriously deter them from further attempts in the not distant future; attempts which will be conducted with more circumspection and more precaution than have been used previously; and it may be taken as certain that in future attacks the pirates will take into serious consideration the possibility of another British craft of war taking shelter in Bias Bay at the time they come along with their captures. The pirates have been proved to be nothing if not resourceful, and it may be taken for granted that each set of circumstances, as it arises, will be dealt with on its merits and in the best manner suited to the continued success of their profession.

There is only one real remedy—extermination to the pirates, wholly and completely; and the carrying out of that remedy lies in the hands of the Canton Government in whose domain the pirates have flourished practically unmolested for six whole years. The Chinese authorities have made it perfectly clear that they desire no foreign interference in a matter which really affects foreign interests as much as Chinese; they apparently realise, appreciate, and even admit that piracy is a scourge which ought to be eliminated by any possible means; and yet they do nothing and apparently intend to do nothing. There is no doubt that the British Navy could and would accomplish the necessary extermination with joy and thoroughness, but the "sovereign rights" of China forbid such a thing, even though its accomplishment would be as welcome to all reasonable Chinese as to foreigners. The Canton Government cannot or will not take action; but the situation, is, fast approaching the stage when, sovereign rights or no sovereign rights, if the Chinese themselves will not act, the foreign Powers must. May that day be not too far distant.

"SPLENDID BIT OF WORK."

Proud of Our Submarine Commander.

The "Irene" incident, in which Commander Halahan of the British submarine L4 held up and fired upon a Chinese Merchants steamer that was under the control of pirates, putting one shell finally into the engine room, has already (says the "North-China Daily News") become the subject of a great deal of soft-voiced deprecatory comment, which may very possibly lead to "conciliatory" action that will undermine the moral effect of a splendid bit of work as effectively as the moral effect of the Wankien fight was undermined. The gentle way of dealing so liberally in conciliation and deploring "race consciousness" are already wondering what is going to be said about this violation of China's rights in her own territorial waters by "international lawyers, boards of inquiry, seas, and what not, and whether it would not promote a little better international understanding. If the commander of the L4 were duly reprimanded for interfering with a properly conducted Chinese piracy within the three mile limit.

Only Possible Action.

What is immediately required, therefore, is that our foreign communities in the Far East irrespective of nationality, put themselves on record as being very proud of the submarine commander who took the only possible action in an emergency without spending an hour or so looking up the technicalities of the matter in his reference books. We want public confession of the fact that a man of our own breed had the initiative and courage to fire on a ship of unknown nationality, sailing into Bias Bay without lights. Scores of foreigners run about in Chinese circles apologizing for the Wankien affair, deploring the ruthless doings of foreign gunboats that return fire when they are fired upon, making almost fearful extensions of the circumstances of the "Irene" ultimatum; and now even speaking in tones of deprecation of the shell.

ing of Socony Hill by the British and American gunboats. The same class of people will be equally busy in the near future pointing out that China's sovereign rights were horribly violated when the L4 fired upon the "Irene" within rifle shot of the coast of China. We shall all be expected then to be ashamed of this imperialistic venture and to make duly long faces when the affair is inadvertently mentioned. We are perfectly certain in the light of general experience with Chinese public affairs, that the Chinese at large neither expect this sort of hypocrisy from us nor like it. They respect us when we have the courage to be ourselves, and to live up to our own traditions, and when we fail to do this we earn a very just measure of their contempt.

Our Best Traditions.

The L4, anchored for the night during maneuvers, saw the "Irene" coming into Bias Bay without lights. The only possible assumption was that she was in the hands of pirates, and the only correct thing to do was to hold her up and find out whether or not this was the case. Technically the action was perhaps irregular. Actually neither the Chinese nor the foreign communities in China would have had much respect for the commander of the submarine had he done less than fire upon the "Irene" when his signals to her were ignored. The Chinese expect us to cheer such action as in law and with our best traditions, and we are not true to our historical obligation as they know, if we fail to do so. For one thing the Chinese have no use for legal technicalities. They wish a minimum of law and a maximum of equity, and the man who does the right thing at the right time in China has all public opinion behind him though he may be riding roughshod over all the legal codes while doing it.

A few foreign trained experts from the Ministries of Justice and Foreign Affairs might see in this affair an occasion for a display of their erudition and they might get some applause for it if their protests could be regarded as verbal artistry, but it would be hard to find in any Chinese heart genuine disapproval of an act of violence against a pirate ship, which was actually what the "Irene" was when the L4 overhauled her. An expression of public opinion upon these points may be very essential if the conciliators and the technicians get busy on this case and we want to make a very strong appeal to our readers, both Chinese and foreign, to be prepared for it and to do their part.

U. S. PRESIDENCY.

REPUBLICANS AND PRESIDENT COOLIDGE.

THIRD TERM FAVORED.

New York, Yesterday. According to the "New York World" a canvass of the members of the republican national committee, the governing body of the Republican Party, reveals a strong sentiment in favour of the re-nomination of President Coolidge for a third term of the Presidency. —Reuter's American Service.

AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

ENTRIES CLOSE ON NOVEMBER 30.

SCHEDULES ISSUED.

Schedules have been issued for the New Territories Agricultural Show to be held on Wednesday and Thursday, December 7 and 8, at Tung Ying Hok Po, Sheng Shui. No entries will be accepted after Wednesday, November 30.

Commercial Exhibits. Under no circumstances can the Committee assume responsibility for the safety of any commercial exhibits. It is clearly understood that all exhibits are received at exhibitors' risk in case of loss by theft or damage by fire or any other accident. Exhibits must be taken to and removed from the ground at exhibitors' own expense.

Owing to the limited area of the exhibition ground, there can be only eight allotments, each 15 ft. X 15 ft. in the open air space, which are suitable for exhibits like agricultural implements, etc.

The fee is \$60 per allotment. The space within the building takes the form of one long shelf for the whole width of the building. The shelf is 2 ft. 6 ins. in depth and is divided into sections of 10 ft. wide each. This section is suited for the exhibition of ferreters, cigars, cigarettes, milk products and canned goods, etc.

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A sparrow flew through the
open window of a house occupied
by Mr. Thomas Lane, of Asfordby,
near Melton Mowbray, laid an egg
in a saucepan, and then flew out
again.

At a fully attended meeting of
the Committee of the Shanghai
Property Owners' Association, the
new tariff of water charges for the
International Settlement was dis-
cussed at length. It is understood
that an early opportunity will be
sought for protesting against
several points in the agreement
pending between the Municipal
Council and The Shanghai Water-
works Co., Ltd.

On board a river gun-
boat, the "Tsing Kong," the
Canton authorities seized a
quantity of opium valued
at \$40,000 and said to weigh over
22,000 piculs. This is probably a
record haul in the Canton River for
recent years. The arrest was
effected by the Anti-Smuggling
Bureau which is part of the Treas-
ury. It is understood that part of
the duties of the gunboat "Tsing
Kong" is to prevent smuggling. The
opium is believed to have been cov-
eyed down the West river, along
the upper reaches of which poppy
is grown extensively.

Among the chance encounters
of life that give rise to speculation
is that of the bottle bearing the
name of one bottled blown on the
glass and that of another printed
on the label. When next you see an
exhibit of that kind you may know
that you are on the track of a
"bottle louse." This engaging
name is used in the bottling trade
to describe a person who does busi-
ness on his competitors' capital by
using bottles for which they paid.
The inventor of the name was given
a prize for his effort. Need it be
said that the award was made by
an American trade paper, and that
the "bottle louse" is the mineral
water trade?

Shanghai Chinese gentry and
merchants, owing to the recent kid-
nappings, are in fear of their lives,
and they have held informal dis-
cussions as to ways and means of
protecting themselves, their fami-
lies, and their property from fur-
ther outrage. Leading Chinese
have conferred with police officials,
but the latter have pointed out that
so long as the victims' families re-
fuse to co-operate with the police,
the Municipal authorities are help-
less. The leading members of the
Chinese Chamber of Commerce
have, therefore, called a meeting
to be held in the Chamber and at
which they propose to discuss fur-
ther protective measures.

The monthly meeting of the
Chinese Chamber of Commerce will
be held on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m.

According to a Bangkok cor-
respondent there are serious floods
in North Siam where several
branches have occurred on the
railway line. The water is report-
ed to be still rising.

The Polish Ironfounders' As-
sociation are arranging for the
purchase of 2500,000 worth of
South Russian iron ore against de-
livery of textiles and other goods.
It is stated that the deal is the
forerunner of larger transactions.

Owing to its position facing
the Pudong there was a good deal
of opposition to the erection of
an advertisement hoarding in front
of the Singapore Municipal build-
ing now under construction. Those
in favour carried the day, however,
and the work has been completed.

When a Methodist Episcopal
Clergyman in Penang issued a
challenge for an open declaration
whether "the press of Malaya is
outspokenly wet," the "Malay Mail"
replied:—"Faint traces of humid-
ity are all we can discover among
the seven European members of
our own staff."

Asked as to the number of
accidents in the streets of the
Metropolitan Police district Sir
W. Joynton-Hicks, in a written
reply, says there were in one
month 92 fatal accidents, 4,500 non-
fatal, and 5,699 involving damage
to property. As a result of these
accidents the total number of per-
sons killed was 92 and injured
4,863.

"What is puka pu?" asked Sir
Robert Wallace, K.C., at the Lon-
don Sessions, when a Japanese ap-
pealed against his conviction for
employing other Japanese to sell
chances in a lottery. Counsel said
it was a popular game with Chi-
nese and Japanese in Limehouse,
while another barrister said he had
a brief description of the game but
having read it a dozen times, still
failed to understand it! The re-
porter made a bad effort to ro-
manise puka pu.

Workmen engaged in repaving
Piccadilly enjoyed a diversion dur-
ing the midday break recently when
dancers, jugglers, and singers from
the Piccadilly Hotel, provided an
improvised entertainment on the
repaved section of the roadway.
All the artists did their turns for
the benefit of the workmen. A
large audience of passers-by also
assembled. A barrel-organ provid-
ed music and in a few minutes,
workmen, using their spades as
banjos, enlivened the occasion
with dances and songs.

Lady Kintore, who recently
returned from a visit to the Far
East, has found a home at Keith
Hall for some of the curios she
collected. Others are in the Kin-
tore's town house in Park Place.

It is reported from Albania
that a quantity of mysterious gold
coins have come into circulation,
and that no one has been able to
discover where they were minted
or who distributed them. The
coins, which are identical in value
with the French twenty-franc
Napoleon, bear the portrait of the
Albanian hero, Skander Bey, on
one side, and the Lion of Venice
on the other. The Minister of
Finance has issued a circular de-
claring the National Bank refuses
to deal in them.

The Malaysia Mission has
severed one more link with its his-
toric past, says the "Malaysian
Message," of Singapore. It has
discarded the last horse in its pos-
session. Until last month Miss
Blackmore had been in possession
of a horse and carriage contin-
uously for almost 40 years. The
last was owned jointly with Miss
De Souza. One by one the other
houses have given place to the
onrushing Fords and Chevrolets,
but this proud steed with its digni-
fied old phaeton has until now held
its place before the Church door.

Mrs. Church, wife of an
engineer's fitter in London, living
at Peabody Buildings, Elbury
Bridge, gave birth recently to
"Siamese twins," both girls, who
were taken to St. Thomas's Hos-
pital. One of the infants was
much more frail than the other,
and was not expected to survive,
but an inquiry at the hospital
elicited that both were still alive.
The children were christened in the
hospital by the chaplain. One was
named Mary and the other Ann.
In the event of one of the twins
dying, an operation will be per-
formed, in the hope of saving the
life of the survivor.

Regarding the baby White
Elephant which is to be brought
down in procession to Bangkok
from the North next month, the
Chiangmai correspondent of the
"Siam Observer" writes under date
Oct. 10:—"The baby White Ele-
phant is in good health, naughty
as ever, and a little bit grown up
since last I saw it a few months
ago. They take it and its mother
down to the station nearly every
evening in order to make them get
used to the special railway truck
which is going to take them to
Bangkok, and also to the car-drum
breaking whistles. It took only a
day or two to put the mother in
it, but several days to make her
son do the trick."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Raja Said Tauphy, O.B.E., M.C.S.,
who is now in England on furlough,
is due back in Penang early in Decem-
ber.

Mr. W. H. Lee Warner, who is at
present S.D.O., Province Wellesley,
is going to Klang as District Officer
in the near future.

Mr. W. E. Wallis, of Messrs.
Harrisons, Barker, and Coy Ltd.,
leaves for Penang, whence he will
sail for Home on leave by the
"Malwa."

The Attorney-General, S.S., the
Hon'ble Mr. M. H. Whitley, and
Mrs. Whitley, are passengers by
the "Mantua," due in Singapore on
November 4.

Mr. J. W. Jefferson, Chief
Superintendent of Physical Educa-
tion, S.S., has been giving lectures
on physical training to the
Malacca teachers.

Mr. M. R. Holgate is going back
to Malacca to act as Inspector of
Schools some time next month,
when Mr. L. R. Wheeler will go
to Penang as Assistant Inspector of
Schools.

Sir Percival Phillips, special cor-
respondent of the "Daily Mail," has
arrived in Singapore en route to
Java, where he is taking a brief
holiday after spending eleven
months in China investigating the
revolutionary movement.

When the Hon'ble Mr. H. G. R.
Leonard goes on leave shortly after
the forthcoming Budget meeting of
the Federal Council, Mr. Marcus
Rex, at present Chairman of the
Kuala Lumpur Sanitary Board, will
act for him as Financial Adviser,
F.M.S.

The late Mr. Joseph Mackay,
M.L. Mech. E., of West Park,
Eltham, and of Bank Chambers,
High Holborn, W.C., late Chief
Government Marine Surveyor at
Bangkok, Siam, left personal estate,
in Great Britain valued at
£41,300.

Mr. Tan Hoon-siang, of the P.
and O. Co., Singapore, has received
a wire stating that his elder son,
Dr. Tan Chong-yun, formerly of
the Straits Government Medical
Service, has been successful in
obtaining the L.R.C.P. and S. Edin-
burgh, and L.R.F.P. and S. Glas-
gow, and is now proceeding to the
Round, Dublin, to further his
studies.

Mrs. C. C. Reade has left Kuala
Lumpur en route for England.

H. H. the Raja Muda of Selangor
and party are on a visit to Kedah.

Mr. and Mrs. Strivens and daugh-
ter have returned to Malacca from
their holiday at Bukit Fraser.



Dr. Ernest H. Cherrington, Gen-
eral Secretary of the Anti-Saloon
League, may succeed the late
Wayne B. Wheeler as general coun-
sel of the Anti-Saloon League. More
than 150 leading dry advocates
from every state in the Union will
assemble in the National Capital
on December 11 to select a suc-
cessor to the late Wayne B. Wheel-
er. It was generally admitted
among dry leaders in Washington
that it would prove extremely dif-
ficult to obtain as active and efficient
counsel as Mr. Wheeler has proved.

Mr. C. Hibbert, of Messrs. Sims,
Darby and Co., Ltd., Malacca, will
arrive back from Home by the
"Hakozaki Maru."

Achdeacon Swindell inducted the
Rev. A. O. Cooper to the chaplaincy
of St. Mark's Church, Seremban, at
the service last Sunday. The new
chaplain, who arrived from England
recently, takes the place of the Rev.
N. D. Bower, M.A., who had been
acting for three months.

Mr. J. A. A. Faith, successor to
Mr. H. J. Cockman, the Kuala Pilah
Magistrate and Assistant District
Officer, has assumed his duties.

The Raja Uda, formerly second
magistrate, Kuala Lumpur, has ar-
rived in Malaya from England,
where he had been on long leave.

The induction of the Rev. G. M.
Nicol, M.A., to the charge of the
Presbyterian Church in Penang,
took place at Rose Villa, Gopeng
Road, Ipoh.

H.E. the Governor of British
North Borneo, Mr. J. L. Hum-
phreys, C.B.E., has arrived from
Jesselton and is staying at Govern-
ment House, Singapore.

The Secretary of State for the
Colonies has appointed Mr. W. C.
Bottomley, C.B., C.M.G., O.B.E., to
be an Assistant Under-Secretary of
State in the Colonial Office to fill
the vacancy resulting from the re-
tirement of Sir Charles Strachey,
K.C.M.G., C.B.

The decree nisi granted to Mrs.
Violet Henrietta Gonzales, of
Seremban, by the Supreme Court,
Singapore, has been made absolute
by the order of the Registrar, on
the petition of Mr. M. V. Pillai, her
solicitor. Mrs. Gonzales was
granted the custody of her son.

General Sir Neill Malcolm offici-
ated on September 22 at the mar-
riage in London of Miss Lim Beng-
kong to Mr. Oon Guan-yong, eldest
son of Captain and Mrs. Oon
Kheng-liang, of Banka, giving the
bride away in the absence of her
father, Mr. Lim Kim-soo, of
Penang.

Mr. A. A. Ewing, manager of the
Singapore Traction Co. since March,
1926, is leaving for Shanghai
the P. and O. "Mongolia," to take
up a new appointment with the
Shanghai Electric Construction
Co., Ltd. Mr. G. Marshall is suc-
ceeding Mr. Ewing as manager in
Singapore.

News has been received from
Home that the Rev. A. A. Cooper,
minister of Aston Tyrrold in
Berkshire, is sailing with Mrs.
Cooper on Dec. 2 by the "Malwa"
to act for the Rev. R. D. Whitehorn
at St. Andrew's, Presbyterian
Church, Selangor. Mr. Cooper is a
man of considerable experience
in India, Scotland and England, and
his temporary pastorate here should
be very valuable. He has a son in
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INTERPORT CRICKET

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LAKE AND HIS PUNCH.

[By "The Tramp"]

The first Interport cricket match will be played on the 19th inst., when Hong Kong will meet Malaya; Shanghai will oppose our Southern friends on the 23rd, and our worthy men will seek to knock the heads of the Shanghaianders on the 26th.

The first Interport trial game took place on Saturday last and about the fact that only nine men a side turned out and about the selections and about the play I propose, at present, to say nothing. A Selection Committee is in existence for the purpose of putting the very best Hong Kong team in the field against Shanghai and Malaya. It is entirely up to them. After the Interports, however (which I am looking forward to describing for readers of this paper), I mean to release some criticism. Comment at this stage might be helpful, but it would certainly be embarrassing, so must wait.

"Josh" Brook and the other officials of the Hong Kong Boxing Association are to be complimented upon the fare provided for us at the opening tournament on Saturday last, which was as varied as it was of a high order. Stoker Lake's victory over Nixon was sufficiently open to have made another contest between these two acceptable. That, however, is impossible, as the latter has already sailed for home. It is a pity that Lake has not got more of a punch with all that speed and genuine ringcraft. However, he is a good boy and has always pleased the local fans with his exhibitions.

It was good to see Britt here again. That stance of his, once seen, is never forgotten. He boxes with the strictest economy of energy. Every blow is a hard one, as Illingworth found out during the short while he was on his feet against the veteran. The last bout, between the "light heavies," would have made a capital curtain-raiser. There was an element of the comical in it, and it sent every one off home in good humour. Looking back, I think the whole programme augurs well for the success of the current season.

It seems the "China Mail" was correct in its surmise regarding greyhounds coming from Home for Shanghai, where it is the intention to start a race track. Properly conducted, I think the sport will prove a success, though in England at present they are an outcry against its manifold facilities for betting, the poorer classes in the industrial areas where hound racing tracks mainly abound—being the chief sufferers. However, Shanghai would have no qualms of conscience on that score, nor would Hong Kong, despite the fact that we refuse to get used to a "bookie" or two on our race course.

The military footballers did not have a very successful outing last week-end. They lost all their matches in the first Division except that between the Kosbies and South China, which was drawn. The Scots Guards were well beaten by the Recreio, as were the R.A.F. by Kowloon, a rather surprising result. The most surprising decision, however, was that arrived at in the Queen's match with the Police, which the latter won by the only goal. Our football critic, "Rover," in his Friday's notes, gave an indication that the Police were mightily improving and were getting together a fine team. Keep your eyes on these "Rover" notes, by the way. They appear every Friday, giving the next day's programme and prospects, and every Monday, reviewing the Saturday games. They are worth following.

OLYMPIC GAMES.

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALLERS MAY COMPETE.

PROVISIONAL RULING.

Lausanne, Yesterday. The Executive Committee of the International Olympic Committee has decided to authorise members of the International Football Association to participate in the Amsterdam Olympiad and the St. Moritz winter games pending the decision of the forthcoming Congress. A necessary condition is that no footballer shall receive an indemnity, but the salary lost may be made good to any employer who would otherwise refuse to pay a player during his absence. —Reuter.

SHARKEY FIGHT.

FILM TO BE SCREENED AT THE WORLD.

The announcement that the Dempsey-Sharkey fight is to be screened at the World Theatre from Thursday to Saturday has been read with great interest by local boxing enthusiasts, as it was this contest that led to Dempsey meeting Tunney again in another tussle for the world's heavyweight championship. Added interest attaches to the film owing to the fact that, besides showing the whole fight, round by round, it plainly shows the clip Sharkey gave Dempsey under the chin after the gong had rung for the end of the seventh round. This part of the film is in slow motion and there is no mistaking the nature of the extraordinary incident.

SPORTING FAREWELLS.

LOCAL PRESENTATIONS TO THE NAVY.

There was an interesting gathering at the Hong Kong Football Club when members of that organisation and the China Athletic Association joined in a presentation to representatives from vessels of the First Cruiser Squadron. The cruisers are due to leave Hong Kong in the near future and the presentations were made to mark the part played by the men from the Squadron in local sports. The presentations took the form of a rose bowl and a cigarette case, these being handed over by Mr. H. M. McTavish and received by Lieut. Fleming of H.M.S. "Frobisher."

LOCAL HOCKEY.

H.M.S. "TAMAR" v. CLUB.

The following will represent the Club at King's Park to-day at 5 p.m.—W. J. Lockhart Smith, L. A. R. Dunnean, L. F. Nicholson, Major J. P. S. Greig, Rev. J. P. Murray, Rev. N. Evans, A. E. Pritchard, W. R. Greenhalgh, Capt. Jacobs-Larkcom, W. A. Nowers, and B. W. Sampson.

Y.M.C.A. DEFEAT THE K.O.S.B.

The second team of the King's Own Scottish Borderers engaged the European Y.M.C.A. in a game of hockey in Kowloon yesterday afternoon and were defeated. Gardner scored one goal and Sampson two goals for the Y.M.C.A. Only one goal was registered by the K.O.S.B. team.

UNIVERSITY v. CLUB DE RECREIO.

The University 2nd XI. were to have met the Club de Recreio in a game at Pokfulam yesterday, but the fixture had to be postponed.

PENG PONG.

LATEST LEAGUE RESULTS AND POSITIONS.

Playing in the Ping Pong League, St. Peter's defeated the Catholic Y.M.S. and the University drew with the Tutorial Institute. In the latter match it was a hard struggle throughout, with the Tutorial leading until the final game was played. The following table shows positions of the teams:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
C.A.A.	8	0	0	0	16
Y.M.C.A.	9	8	1	0	18
S.C.A.A.	8	6	2	0	12
H.K.U.	8	5	2	1	11
Tutorial	8	4	3	1	9
Hop Ying	7	4	3	0	8
St. Peter's	7	3	3	1	7
St. Louis	7	2	5	0	4
Catholic Y.M.	8	2	6	0	4

GOLF.

FORMATION OF COUNTRY CLUB.

SPIRIT OF CONCORD.

Under the presidency of Mr. B. de Castro Basto, a meeting of the newly formed Country Golf Club was held in the Lusitano Club yesterday evening.

In proposing the adoption of the rules and by-laws of the Country Club, Mr. A. A. Lopes said: "I have much pleasure in proposing that the printed rules and by-laws now before the meeting be approved and adopted as those of the Country Club. In doing so I would like to inform you that in 1924, when Mr. Soares leased his land in Sheung Shui to the Lusitano Golf Club for 20 years at a nominal yearly rent of \$1, his object was to offer to the Portuguese community an opportunity of playing golf, and for this purpose he imposed a condition that the Club had to be composed of and managed by members of our community."

At the beginning of this month, Mr. Basto approached me on behalf of the Lusitano Golf Club and pointed out that the Club had only 40 members and that, without defeating his original object of guaranteeing the gold course to the Portuguese community, the Club could advantageously be broadened in its membership so as to act as the medium for better intercourse between the Portuguese and other communities by removing the restriction of its membership to the Portuguese exclusively and throwing it open to members of other communities in Hong Kong.

Mr. Soares endorsed Mr. Basto's suggestion and agreed to allow the Lusitano Golf Club to sublet the site to the Country Club, on condition that some formal undertaking be given that the Portuguese community would not suffer by any change in the status of the Lusitano Golf Club.

No Exclusive Privileges. The Chairman said:—This is a meeting of a sporting Club and as such it will be entirely out of place were I to make it an occasion for the expression of opinions that may appear to have the significance of a political purpose. I wish to disabuse your minds of any such intention on my part. At the same time I wish to make it clear to you that the days of exclusive privileges appear to be fast dying out. I am not alone in holding this view. Only a few days ago a local newspaper advocated the principle of a fair field and no favour in the matter of sporting activities in Hong Kong—an advocacy which not only has my personal sympathy and the sympathy of those friends with whom I have consulted, but I hope I shall be able to convince you that for more than one reason the dog-in-the-

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CRICKET.

PROGRAMME FOR THE INTERPORT MATCHES.

The following is the proposed programme for the Interport cricket matches:—

Nov. 17.—Malaya arrive.
Nov. 18.—Shanghai arrive.
Nov. 19.—1st Day: Hong Kong v. Malaya.
Nov. 21.—2nd Day: Hong Kong v. Malaya.
Nov. 22.—Shanghai v. United Services.
Nov. 23.—1st Day: Malaya v. Shanghai.
Nov. 24.—2nd Day: Malaya v. Shanghai.
Nov. 25.—Malaya v. United Services.
Nov. 26.—1st Day: Hong Kong v. Shanghai.
Nov. 28.—2nd Day: Hong Kong v. Shanghai.
Nov. 29.—Shanghai leave.
Nov. 30.—Malaya leave.
G. R. Sayer will be unable to play in the Interport trial to-morrow, and his place will be taken by Lieut. Hankey, K.O.S.B.
Lieut. Hankey's place in the United Services' side will be taken by Capt. E. W. Morris.

FOOTBALL.

PRESENTATION TO NAVY AT H.K.F.C.

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ST. PETER'S CHURCH YOUNG MEN'S CLUB.

STALLS AND SIDE SHOWS.

The most interesting Club event of the year at St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club will take place on Saturday, November 12 at 2.30 p.m. when Mrs. W. T. Southern will be present to open the Garden Fete. The Club Patron (Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall) and Rev. N. V. Halward, the Chairman, will be present to welcome visitors. No efforts are being spared by a large number of helpers to make this initial effort as attractive as possible, both to grown-ups as well as to children.

Twenty stalls and side-shows have been planned for the Fete, in addition to other special features. The proceeds will be given to St. Peter's Church, Kowloon Blind Home, the newly formed Division of St. John Ambulance and to Club funds.

The following list is by no means complete, but serves to give members an idea of what the Fete is going to be:—

Side-Shows.

1. Knocking Down Pipes—Mr. A. E. Lea.
2. Aunt Sally—Mr. W. M. Gittins.
3. Rifle Range—Mr. C. A. Grimes.
4. Kicking the Ball—Mr. E. Zimmern.
5. "Slippery Sam"—Mr. J. Comrade.
6. Coco-nut Shy—Mr. P. Howie.
7. Toy Stall—Mrs. Earle & Mrs. Shellshar.
8. Sweet Stall—Miss B. Yuen.
9. Lucky Ring—Miss E. Samy.
10. Lucky Dip—Miss L. Mackenzie.
11. Hoopla Fair—Mr. P. Sands.
12. Gold Fish Stall—Miss C. Hamson.
13. Twenty Cent Raffle—Mrs. D. Foke.
14. Smelling Competition—Miss J. and G. Ho Tung.
15. Weight Guessing—Mr. W. M. Gittins and 5th Hong Kong Troop.
16. Hand Made Goods Stall—Miss M. Yuen.
17. Squares Stall—Miss W. Cheung.
18. Flower Stall—Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs.
19. Flower Pot Competition—Mr. Frank Grose.

With regard to the Rifle Range, two silver cups have been donated and will be given for the most number of bulls obtained during the day.

The work of erection and general arrangement of stalls is being very ably carried on by Messrs. G. W. R. Griggs and A. W. Miller, both of whom deserve every praise.

Concerts and Dances.

In addition to the stalls and side-shows, the Entertainment Committee has arranged a programme of "specials." A large number of the leading local entertainers are included among the artists.

1. An Afternoon Concert from 3.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
2. Tea Dance (50 cents ticket) from 4.00 p.m. to 6 p.m.
3. Supper Dance (\$1 ticket) from 9.30 p.m. to midnight.
4. Grand Variety Concert by the J-Pans (Ticket \$1.00) in the evening.

Tickets for the above can be obtained from Mr. Wm. Shea (Colonial Dispensary) or from the Joint Secretaries. As accommodation is limited members are advised to get their tickets early in order to avoid disappointment.

The Refreshment Committee, under Miss Mow Fung is having all catering arrangements well in hand. Ice creams, tea, suppers, (with music) can be had at short notice and many ladies have very kindly come forward to serve refreshments.

Then finally there are a few very attractive raffles of dolls and other things:—(a) A miniature bridal group in glass case; (b) a bride; (c) a doll in silk; (d) a doll dressed in Chinese, etc.

Charity Football Match.

In connection with the Fete, a charity football match has been arranged. It is hoped to stage a match between the popular Chinese Athletics and Club de Recreio on the Club ground on Sunday, November 6.

Other Club Activities.

Owing to the great amount of work which must be done in connection with the Fete, it is proposed to curtail all activities this month. The Debates, however, will be continued and the motion for the one on Monday, November 7 will be "That Marriage is a Hindrance to a Successful Career." This motion will be proposed by Mrs. A. E. Matthews and Seconded in the opposition by Miss M. M. Clark. The Club Dance will commence next month, and the Billiard Tournament of the Club will probably begin a few weeks before Christmas.

The Sub-Committee Meeting for November are as follows:—

- November 1, at 8.30 p.m.—Library Committee.
- November 8, at 8.30 p.m.—Indoor Sports.
- November 15, at 8.30 p.m.—Debate Committee.

November 16, at 7.30 p.m.—Refreshment Committee.

November 18, at 8.30 p.m.—Entertainment Committee.

November 22, at 8.30 p.m.—Refreshment Committee.

November 29, at 8.30 p.m.—Executive Committee.

The Finance Committee meet every Tuesday, at 6.00 p.m.

The Librarian acknowledges with many thanks thirty books from Lt. Whiting of the 10th Field Ambulance.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE.

PARADE OF FOUR DIVISIONS ON SUNDAY.

YOUNG RECRUITS ENROLLED.

Four Divisions of St. John Ambulance Brigade overseas and ladies of the Nursing Division paraded on Sunday morning on the Sookumpoo military recreation ground.

Many of the young recruits having completed their course and having proved their efficiency by examination, were enrolled as members of the Brigade by the Assistant Commissioner, Mr. E. Ralph, assisted by Mr. A. Morris, Corps Superintendent.

Mr. Augustine, Leung Hing Kee has presented the St. Joseph's College Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas with a silver challenge cup to be awarded annually to the most efficient member of the Division.

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RADIO TOPICS

CONSTRUCTING SETS.

BASEBOARD SYSTEM OR
PANEL PLAN?

We doubt whether a time will
 ever arrive when all who build wire-
 less sets will construct on the base-
 board system alone, or only on the
 panel plan. Some favour one way,
 and some another, consequently,
 if our circuits are to be completely
 described, it is necessary that we
 should portray them all as laid out
 in the more modern fashion, as
 well as in a way with which every
 reader is very familiar.

It is quite easy for anyone with
 a panel diagram before him to ar-
 range for himself a baseboard lay-
 out, but we are mindful of the fact
 that unless some care is taken in
 wiring up a set on the American
 principle a poor result only may be
 secured.

There is an art in laying out one's
 components so that they may be
 housed in the least possible space,
 and arranged with due regard to
 wiring efficiency. This latter point
 may not arise to any great extent,
 but in the case of an H.F. circuit
 the wiring must be disposed so as
 to avoid conflicting fields, inter-
 action, and capacity effects.

For a panel-assembled set, we
 recommend a 24 by 10 inches panel,
 and one nearly as large will be re-
 quired even when additional com-
 ponent space is provided by a base-
 board. We advise 22 by 9 inches
 as the smallest size that should be
 worked on. The baseboard should
 be 22 by 16. Cramped components
 are difficult to wire, and when
 valves and coils are given too little
 room the operation of the set be-
 comes very annoying. It should be
 possible to delve the hand through
 the cabinet lid, and remove or in-
 sort both coils and valves without
 being tempted to employ language
 more eloquent than courteous.

This applies especially to the
 coils, which, if they fit tightly into
 the holder, as they should do, are
 not only to withdraw if the hand
 has to be kept bent over, say, the
 vanes of the variable condenser.

It is a good plan to place inside
 the set, and in series with the
 accumulator, a small electric bulb
 of suitable voltage. This should
 be slung from the unhinged portion
 of the lid, or secured, by means of
 a bracket, to the cabinet wall.

Whether a set is built one way
 or another, it should behave in the
 same way provided both methods
 are efficient.

The components, with certain ex-
 ceptions and additions, are the
 same. Coils, valves, and most of
 the connections are identical, but a
 few variations have been introduced
 to suit circumstances.

We would warn constructors
 against fixing the variable con-
 denser to the panel before they have
 made quite sure that its vanes will
 not foul the coils. The positions
 should be occupied by the rheostats
 should be decided before they are
 attached.

Necessary Components.

The components required are:—
 Panel, 22 by 9 by 1/2 inches;
 baseboard, 22 by 10 by 1/2 inches;
 two angle brackets; terminal strip,
 eight drillings; four baseboard
 valve-holders; four rheostats; two
 way panel mounting coil-holder;
 300-400 ohms potentiometer; 2-
 meg. grid leak; .0001, .0002, .0003,
 .002, .01 fixed condensers; .0005
 variable condenser; tone control;
 3-1 (or 4-1) first-stage transformer;
 second stage transformer of larger
 ratio; choke-capacity-coupling unit;
 on-and-off switch d.p.d.t. switch;
 terminals.

The Coil-Holder.

We strongly advise a coil-holder
 in which the coils approach each
 other in parallel, and vertical. If
 the reaction coil is accommodated
 in a holder of the fall-section type,
 room must be provided for it to
 drop. Nor must it fall on any
 other component or on the terminal
 strip.

Choose as a d.p.d.t. or 3-4 valve
 switch, one with really good con-
 tacts. Whether these are spring or
 rubbing contacts, they must be such
 as will efficiently complete the

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NEW RADIO STATIONS.

P. L. BUREAU OF POSTS
PLANS.

The Philippines bureau of posts
 will establish 15 radio stations and
 15 post telegraph offices with an
 estimated cost of P270,000 before
 the end of this year. It was learn-
 ed at the bureau recently. There
 are at present 40 radio stations
 operating under the bureau of posts
 and more than 600 post telegraph
 offices. Ten new post telegraph
 offices have been established since
 January this year.

Two post telegraph offices, each
 costing more than P1,000 to estab-
 lish were opened on October 22 in
 Calape, Bohol and in Calatrava,
 Occidental Negros. The bureau of
 posts has asked P10,000 from the
 Insular Treasury to cover the cost
 of constructing a radio station in
 Baler to replace the one destroyed
 during the typhoon last month.

The radio stations which will be
 established by the bureau of posts
 this year will cost between P6,000
 and P10,000 each, it was learned.
 The total cost of the 15 post tele-
 graph offices to be opened is esti-
 mated at P150,000.

SENDING A CAR BY RADIO.

PICTURE AND DESCRIPTION
THROUGH SPACE.

The speed at which business can
 be transacted "owadays between
 the ends of the earth and, incident-
 ally, the immense possibilities of
 the new Empire wireless co-opera-
 tion have been demonstrated afresh
 during the last few days.

In order that their latest car
 model might be copied by their
 agents all over the world with the
 least delay, the General Motor Cor-
 poration of Detroit U.S.A. sent a
 radio-photograph of the car East
 and West from New York, as soon
 as it was ready. At the same time
 a full technical description was
 transmitted by wireless.

The radiophotograph was trans-
 mitted to London and from there
 duplicates were sent by aeroplane
 to Antwerp, Paris, and Singapore,
 as well as to agents in Central
 Europe and Scandinavia. West-
 ward the photograph went by radio
 to Honolulu, and from there by boat
 to Australia, New Zealand, and
 Japan.

By this means a week's
 time was saved in convey-
 ing the instructions to
 Europe, and over a fortnight as far
 as the Pacific countries were con-
 cerned. Less than two days after
 the first of the new models had been
 completed in Detroit, similar models
 were being constructed at the
 Colindale depot of General Motors.

Paris Creations in U.S.
 This, of course, is not the first
 time that the radio-photograph has
 been used for business purposes,
 though it is the first instance of
 almost simultaneous large scale
 factory production at widely diver-
 gent points all over the world.

It is possible, thanks to the radio-
 photograph, for a new Paris hat or
 costume to be worn in New York
 twenty-four hours after it has been
 designed.

Many of the most important New
 York milliners and modistes have
 extensive designs by famous de-
 signers sent to them by radio-phot-
 ograph in the morning to be re-
 produced in the New York evening
 papers, and sold to their customers
 on the following morning. The
 design, which is transmitted from
 London, comes from Paris by aro-
 plane.

These Paris-New York creations
 are, of course, far more expensive
 than the original Paris model. The
 wealthy New Yorker has to pay the
 cost of the transmission of the
 design as well as the price of the
 hat or costume.

RADIO WEATHER REPORTS.

SHIPPING INTERESTS REQUEST
CONFERENCE TO ACT.

Washington, Oct. 21.
 Shipping interests to-day request-
 ed the International Radio Confer-
 ence, in session here, to arrange
 for complete weather reports on
 oceanic conditions by wireless.

This plan would make ship re-
 ports on weather conditions com-
 pulsory. All information gained
 from these sources would be assem-
 bled at principal ports for dis-
 semination.

It is felt that such a scheme would
 give the fullest possible coverage
 under present conditions and would
 allow weather forecasters to keep
 complete track of storms as they
 started, together with their courses,
 so that shipping might be ade-
 quately warned.—United Press.

BURIED AERIALS.

Empire Broadcasting.

Mr. J. A. J. Cooper (secretary
 of the Radio Society of Great Brit-
 ain) is of the opinion that buried
 aerials are likely to be the most
 successful method of receiving short
 wave length broadcasting. He in-
 stances cases of aerials buried in
 drain pipes, on which Australian
 transmission was picked up, because
 the insulation shielded the aerial
 from atmospheric disturbances,
 though it was less sensitive than an
 aerial buried only at both ends, or
 an overhead aerial. Members have
 been experimenting for some
 months with Empire broadcasting,
 and have come to the conclusion
 that insulated buried aerials will be
 used largely in the future for pick-
 ing up Dominion stations, and vice
 versa.

SYDNEY TO LONDON.

ANTIPODES WIRELESS
PROGRAMME.

DISTINCT TRANSMISSION.

London, Yesterday.

Listeners-in in Great Britain
 were entertained to an exception-
 ally good reception of a wireless two-
 hour programme from Sydney, New
 South Wales.

The great clock of the General
 Post Office in Sydney boomed out
 the hour of four transporting the
 listeners ten hours ahead. A voice
 announced: "It is a lovely warm
 morning here, dawn just broken."

The Postmaster-General of Brit-
 ain and Australia exchanged greet-
 ings.
 After various orchestral pieces,
 God Save the King and a clear
 transmission of the Australian na-
 tional call "Cooee" the voice an-
 nounced: "We will now adjourn for
 breakfast."—Reuter.

WANT TO COME IN.

SOVIET AND LEAGUE
PARTICIPATION.

Geneva, Yesterday.

M. Chicherin has notified the
 Secretary-General of the League of
 Nations that the Soviet Govern-
 ment is now prepared to participate
 in the Preparatory Commission of
 Disarmament, which they had pre-
 viously declined to do, as they re-
 fused to attend meetings of the
 Committee in Switzerland, but this
 objection had been removed with
 the recent settlement of the Soviet-
 Swiss dispute.

League circles attach importance
 to Soviet participation when the
 Commission meets on November 30,
 as it is felt that States bordering
 on Russia will no longer hesitate to
 agree to reduce their armaments
 owing to the non-participation of
 Russia as hitherto.—Reuter.

ROUMANIA.

SITUATION REPORTED TO
BE TENSE.

Belgrade, Oct. 27.

The situation in Roumania is
 more critical than ever before, it is
 indicated in advices received here
 to-day. Troops are reported to be
 concentrating near Bucharest in
 anticipation of a possible revolu-
 tion. Wire communication with
 Roumania has been suspended.

London, Oct. 27.

Premier Brătianu of Roumania
 to-day telegraphed to the "Daily
 Mail" that calm prevails through-
 out Roumania. He said that the
 government was aware of the at-
 tempts of agitators in behalf of the
 former Crown Prince Carol, but
 added that Carol had thrice re-
 nounced the throne.

Reports from Belgrade say that
 a severe censorship of all news has
 been established at Bucharest, Rou-
 mania. One dispatch received de-
 spite the censorship says that viol-
 ence has broken out.

Telephone communication be-
 tween Bucharest and Belgrade has
 been cut off and only official mes-
 sages are being received by tele-
 graph. The Carolist movement is
 known to be assuming a serious
 character.—Associated Press.

FLYING IN CALCUTTA.

COMPANY TO START
PASSENGER SERVICES.

Calcutta, Oct. 10.

An experimental flight was made
 yesterday at Dum Dum with a
 locally made light aeroplane by a
 few aerial enthusiasts. As the re-
 port of the success of the flight it
 is possible that machines will be
 built locally with imported en-
 gines.

A company is to be floated shortly
 which proposes to inaugurate pas-
 senger services in India, the chief
 routes being Calcutta-Bombay, Cal-
 cutta-Karachi and Calcutta-
 Rangoon. A number of large aero-
 planes will be got out by the com-
 pany in this connection.

BRITAIN IN CHINA.

HOW POSITION IS VIEWED
IN JAPAN.

ATTENTION TO Y'TZE VALLEY.

Miles W. Vaughn, United Press
 Staff Correspondent, writes from
 Tokyo to Manila papers on Octo-
 ber 16:—

The British Government is mak-
 ing a strong effort to regain its
 former dominant position in the
 Yangtze valley and South China,
 according to advices here, and
 Japanese commercial and financial
 interests are viewing the result
 with some anxiety.

Britain has interested herself
 actively in efforts to improve the
 municipal administration in Han-
 kow, Japanese reports state, and
 has offered counsel to the Chinese
 in improving the system of tax col-
 lections, the administration of
 finance and other matters.

It is significant that the Japanese
 press has published considerable
 reports on the alleged plan to re-
 store British domination. These
 reports, obviously inspired, are be-
 lieved to have originated from the
 foreign office and relate that Bri-
 tain has landed machines in Kiu-
 chiang who are assisting the Chi-
 nese police in the preservation of
 order. The presence of the British
 forces has caused no protest from
 the Chinese, it is stated.

In commenting on the situation
 a Japanese news agency report in
 Tokyo says:—

"This attitude of Britain in the
 Yangtze Valley and South China, is
 interpreted here by officials to mean
 the British will attempt to recover
 the rights which they lost or volun-
 tarily surrendered early this year
 in the belief the Chinese Nationalist
 revolution would end in success for
 the Kuomintang."

As for Japan, according to the
 vernacular press reports, she is
 concerned more about the situation
 in North China and Manchuria than
 about the Yangtze valley. The
 immediate object of the Tanaka
 Government, it is indicated, is to
 do all it can to preserve order in
 North China. This should not be
 interpreted, however, to mean that
 Japanese commercial and financial
 interests will show any cessation in
 their activity in the South Chinese
 province, where Japan has a con-
 siderable interest which she is de-
 termined to uphold.

FOR CHILDREN.

MOTHERS' BILL FOR THE
PHILIPPINES.

Washington, October 21.
 President Coolidge will be glad
 to bring the problem of thousands
 of dependent children in the Philip-
 pines before the Philippine Legisla-
 ture. It was said at the White
 House to-day following representa-
 tions from persons interested in
 this situation. A delegation headed
 by Resident Commissioner Guevara
 called yesterday.

It was revealed to-day that Presi-
 dent Coolidge is familiar with such
 problems, having had wide ex-
 perience while Governor of Massa-
 chusetts. He was chief executive
 there when the Massachusetts
 Legislature passed what is believed
 to be the first "Mothers' Aid" bill
 in America.

President Coolidge is of the view
 that the general terms of the Mas-
 sachusetts bill might be applicable
 in the Philippines.—United Press.

JAPAN'S ELECTIONS.

FINAL RETURNS.

Tokyo, Oct. 17.

With the prefectural elections in
 89 prefectures, one in Kumamoto
 Prefecture yet to be fought out,
 complete returns show that the
 Government Party (Seiyukai) gained
 a victory over Opposition parties,
 the results being 714 Seiyukai, 569
 Minseitoh, 162 Independents, 28
 Proletarians, and 6 Businessmen's
 Union and Kakushin Club elected.

The Home Office has received re-
 ports of 823 cases of alleged ir-
 regularities in connection with the
 prefectural elections. These re-
 ported offences against the new
 election law, divided in classes, are
 as follows:—

Illegal printed matter	100
Door-to-door canvassing	40
Campaign interference	12
Campaigning before regis- tering candidacy	15
Alleged buying of votes	17
Illegal election expenditure	8
Promising favours	108

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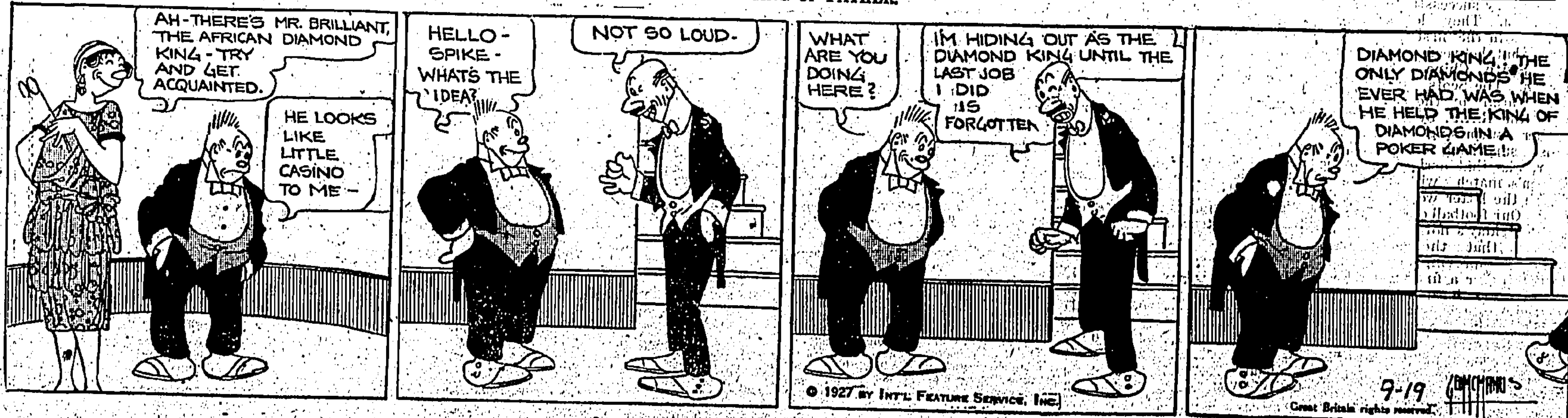
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CINEMA NOTES.

"MICHAEL STROGOFF" AT THE
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AN OUTSTANDING FILM.

"Michael Strogoff" the splendid screen version of the famous story of the secret courier by Jules Verne, which comes to the Queen's Theatre to-day as the feature attraction, is a masterpiece of the cinema art. It is a story of the great Russian revolution, and the picture is without question a remarkable production and is sure to create a deep impression in Hong Kong.

The leading player in "Michael Strogoff" is Ivan Moskine, a young Russian actor, whose work in French films has made him almost as well known on the Continent as Emil Jannings. Altogether there are 6,000 players in the cast and the amazing battle scenes, filmed as they were described by Jules Verne, are presented on a magnificent scale, the charge of 4,000 Tartar horsemen being particularly thrilling.

The story concerns the adventures of Captain Michael Strogoff, a secret courier of the Tsar, who is selected to carry a message to the Tsar's brother 5,000 miles away, in Irkutsk. The route lies through country held by the Tartars, and Strogoff, joined by a beautiful girl he befriends, meets all sorts of exciting adventures before his dangerous mission is fulfilled.

Several of the bigger scenes in the picture have been filmed in colour, the process employed being the French stencil method, which gives tints of great delicacy and charm. Among these scenes are the grand ball at the palace of the Tsar and the camp of the Grand Khan, with its Oriental ballets, gypsy dances and cavalcades of fierce horsemen. Altogether it can be said that "Michael Strogoff" is a picture worthy of its famous theme and should be seen by all who enjoy adventure and pageantry.

"THE DARK ANGEL"

Showing at the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow as the principal attraction at all performances is a picture that is in a way a little masterpiece, the story, filming, and acting all being of the most acceptable kind.

This picture is "The Dark Angel," and it is so affecting in places that many members of the audience were moved to tears when it was screened at the Queen's Theatre, and so amusing in other parts that the same people were soon laughing heartily.

The story of "The Dark Angel" has been adapted from a London stage success, and the transfer to the screen has been done with skill. The picture has the special charm for a British audience that the greater part of the action takes place in Britain and three of the leading players are British, including the star, Ronald Colman. The leading lady is the charming young Hungarian actress, Vilma Banky.

"THE SPLENDID CRIME."

The trials and tribulations of a girl crook before and after she reforms constitute the basic theme of "The Splendid Crime" a delightfully human tale, written and directed by William De Mille, which will be screened at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow.

"The Splendid Crime" is full of romantic interest, humorous incidents, and tender drama. The title is taken from the surprise climax ingeniously introduced by Mr. De Mille to provide a satisfying ending.

Bob Daniels romps through her role of the lovable little thief, her efforts to break away from crime and her reform being portrayed with equal skill. Neil Hamilton is the leading man in the role of a youthful millionaire who prompts Bebe to reform and for whose sake she commits the splendid crime.

U. S. IN 1928.

Wellesley, Mass., Oct. 25.

A year of possible readjustments was forecast for 1928 by Roger W. Babson, statistician, in opening his 14th annual business conference here recently.

Mr. Babson declared that the business world to-day constituted an unprecedented paradox with declining interest rates coinciding with declining commodity prices. Heretofore, he said, low interest has never been followed by a panic but on the other hand, low commodity prices have always spelled the absence of prosperity.

The explanation he found was in the "excess in the United States of everything except religion." Business volume was good but competition so severe and efficiency so low that profits were very small.

A decisive reaction from "present excessive stock speculation" was predicted with the warning that "when the market really breaks it will go off from forty to fifty points."

He said he was advising clients to take a conservative position both in business and investments. "We are in a period when many manufacturers, merchants and investors will get out of debt and restore financial, physical and spiritual resources," he concluded. "Associated Press."

GOLF.

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manger policy should be thrown overboard and a more liberal policy be adopted in the interests of all concerned in the field of sport in Hong Kong.

To begin with, I think, all will agree with me that much better understanding would have existed among the various sections of this cosmopolitan community had greater and better opportunities been given them for the exchange of their respective views and ideas; had they been brought more closely together in social intercourse or by any other means to my mind among the "other means" none appears so attractive as those obtaining in the sporting field. I am reminded of the saying that "on the ground and under the ground all men are equal."

Spirit of Liberalism. There are, moreover, practical reasons why the policy of exclusion is becoming more and more one to be abandoned in these days of a greater spirit of liberalism. Among those reasons is the very circumscribed area of this Colony with its daily reducing tract of flat land; for outdoor games on a large scale, on the ground of expediency also I think that none of you will join issue with me when I say that nowhere could we come to a better understanding of one another and nowhere can the bonds of friendship be found that will unite the communities more closely than on the sporting field where discrimination is opposed to the spirit of sport.

The fact has long since been recognised that Hong Kong needs many interesting clubs, and among such Clubs a badly felt want is a Golf Club. There are many people in this Colony who want to take up golf as a healthful and most desirable form of recreation, but for some reason or another they have been labouring under some form of artificial disability and have been deprived of the privilege of membership of any of the existing golf clubs.

Let us make an earnest endeavour to rectify this state of things. The Lusitano Golf Club has for at least 150 years been a club that it was rather selfish to continue to have the doors of the Club open only to Portuguese when there are many of our friends who would be only too glad to join our Club if they do so. Under the circumstances, the Committee of the Lusitano Golf Club have been considering various ways and means whereby the Club could be opened to non-Portuguese without in any way affecting the interest of the members of our community.

We do not wish to adopt any half measures; we want to be very liberal by giving you all the Lusitano Golf Club possesses and retaining nothing to the exclusion of any one. We are prepared to surrender a laid-out golf course on which we have spent several thousands of dollars. We are now forming a Club to fill a widely felt need, and we are surrendering the management and control of the old Club. On the other hand, however, generous we might wish to be we cannot sacrifice the interests of our community to our own exclusion. The sine qua non condition of our Lusitano Golf Club shall have the right of enjoying a game of golf on their own grounds. To put the original members of the Country Club pari passu with the 40 members of the Lusitano Golf Club who will become members without ballot, Rule 18 has been drawn up empowering the Committee to admit 50 members also without ballot.

I second Mr. Lopes's motion for the approval and adoption of the rules and by-laws. The motion was carried unanimously.

LUNATIC PASSENGER

MIDNIGHT COMEDY IN PLYMOUTH STREET.

The following comedietta which was enacted in a Plymouth street near the Hoe, served to entertain the party waiting for Captain Courtney's departure.

Mr. Hosmer, his passenger had a penchant for indulging in stunts, at odd moments. He left the hotel where the party were awaiting for a short walk, when he encountered a policeman who stopped him and asked him what he was doing.

Mr. Hosmer, being innocent of any guilty intentions, answered facetiously, and an argument ensued.

Finally, Mr. Hosmer, who has a keen sense of humour, looked the officer in the eye and said, "In half-an-hour's time I am going to fly across the Atlantic, and I am just taking a little stroll beforehand."

The policeman's manner changed. He began to "humour" Mr. Hosmer, and suggested a walk in a certain direction, presumably to the police station or the infirmary.

Mr. Hosmer, however, persuaded the policeman to walk with him to the hotel. On the way his story evidently impressed the officer, who at length allowed him to go his way.



OBITUARY.

MASTER OF ILL-FATED
"LEUNG KWONG."

CAPT. JAMES WILSON.

The death took place at the Government Civil Hospital yesterday of Capt. James Wilson, the master of the ill-fated "Leung Kwong," which was sunk in Capaulmun Pass on May 9 with considerable loss of life on the part of Chinese passengers and the circumstances of whose sinking was the subject of an enquiry with recommendations regarding grilles, etc.

Capt. Wilson was 76 years of age and a well known figure on the China coast. Until his admission to Hospital a few days ago he had been acting as 2nd Officer of the s.s. "Chung On."

The funeral will take place at Happy Valley to-day.

Mr. A. Cooper's Funeral.

The funeral took place at Happy Valley yesterday of Mr. A. Cooper, late of the Naval Yard.

The service was conducted by the Rev. Hewitt, Naval Chaplain, and Rev. W. Rogers, of St. Andrew's, Kowloon.

Among those present at the graveside ceremony were Eng. Capt. Mitchell, R.N. (Chief Engineer, R. N. Yard), J. C. Joughin (Chief Constructor), P. A. Yapp (Superintendent, C.E.), and representatives of C.C., and E. E. Departments. Mr. Savage represented the Medical Officer of the Dockyard, Messrs. C. Mitchell, Flegg, Curwood, Gill, Fulbrook, Dixon, March, Lewis, Harrison, C. Young, F. Young, W. Green, C. Bennett, Sapshead, Bell, A. Cook, Baldwin, W. Cooke, Osborne, and Chinese representatives of the various departments, were also present. Mr. E. Cock represented Kowloon Dock.

Wreaths were sent by "His dear daughter," Bob and Jess; Jack, Mary, Jess and Maggie; Mr. and Mrs. C. Mitchell and Doris; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hunt; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Heath; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Millard; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelly; Mr. and Mrs. Harper; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Budden and family; W. H. Hewitt and family.

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Late Mr. Geo. Lee.

The funeral took place at the Christian Cemetery yesterday of Mr. George Lee, Senior, who was well-known in the Colony. Mr. Lee, who died at his residence, No. 5 Gordon Road, Kowloon, leaves a widow and grown family of four, two daughters and two sons, who are resident in Kowloon. The family is well known and highly respected and considerable sympathy is felt with them in their bereavement.

The Rev. Lee Kow-yuen officiated at the funeral.

The following wreaths were laid on the grave.—From his Affectionate Wife, Geo. and Liz, Bert and Ol. Grandpa, Dorothy, Iv and Rod. Messrs. W. M. Lyons, Geo. D. Chin, W. F. G. Gorvin, W. H. Kylling, K. H. Leong, Li Yue-shang, Chan Chin-Kit, Cheun Tim, Un Lai-fai, Wong Pak-fat, Lo Hing-tong, Ng Chuk-hae, Ng Chan-shing, Chor Chung-hang, Cho Yiu-kin, P. M. Pinguet, D. S. Green, V. T. Low, Chung Mang-chiu and from the Christian Brethren from the University.

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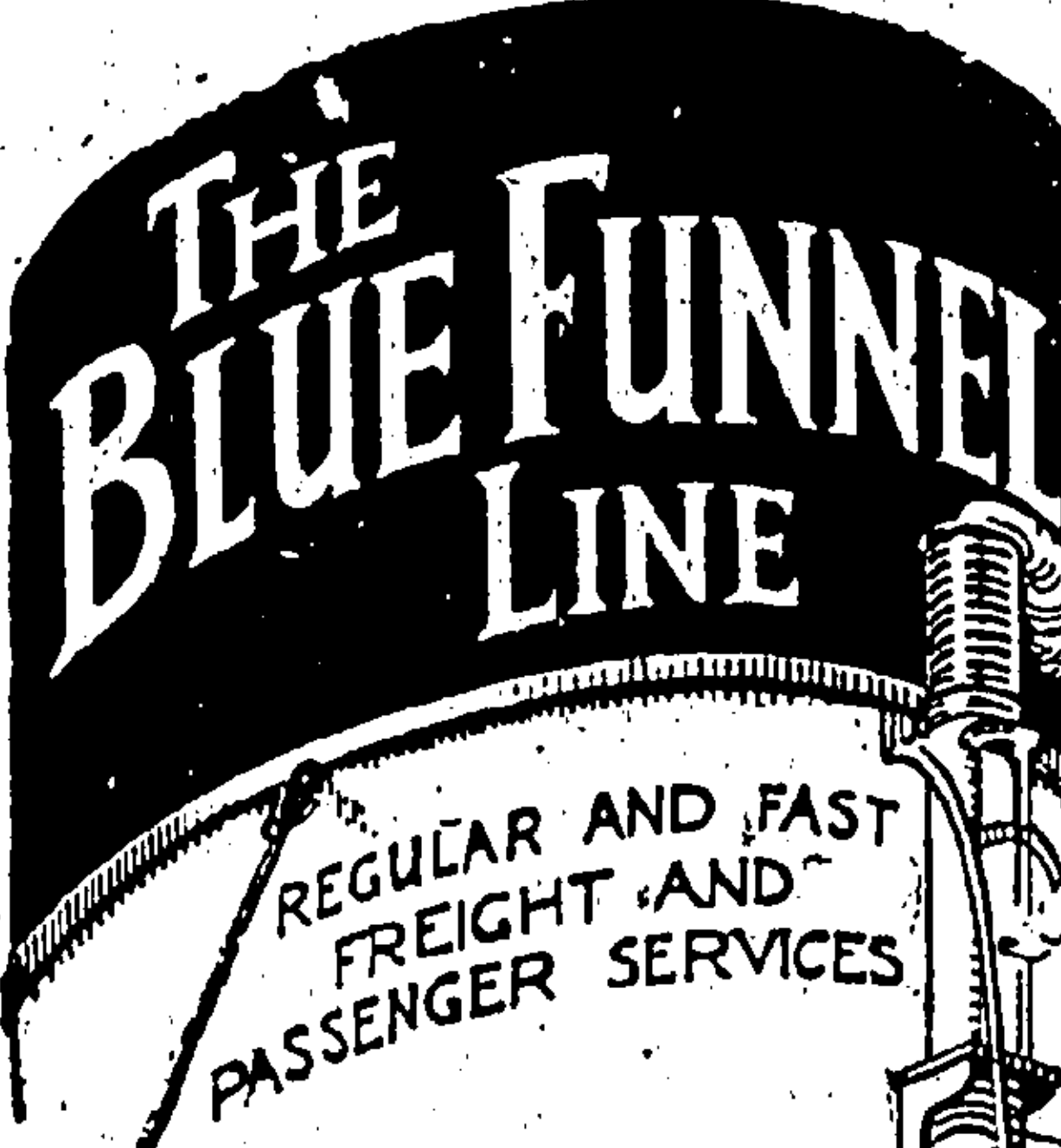
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TENANCY DISPUTE.

\$300 Claim For Kowloon House.

MRS. M. J. ROWE SUED.

Did the "Boy" Act As Interpreter?

A dispute between a landlord and an alleged tenant had a sequel in the Summary Court this morning when Lau Yick-cheuk, the landlord of flats in Kowloon, claimed \$360 from Mrs. M. J. Rowe as three months' rent in respect of 48 Nathan Road.

It was alleged by plaintiffs that an agreement had been entered into between the parties for the defendant to take over the tenancy of the premises and that the keys had been handed to her representative. It was denied by defendants that such agreement had been entered into and, whilst it was admitted that preliminary negotiations had been begun, it was denied that they were completed.

It was admitted on both sides that defendants had not in fact entered into occupation of the premises but plaintiff contended that the handing over of the keys (this was denied by the defendant) constituted an act of tenancy, also the putting in hand by the defendant of whitewashing work.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. F. G. Vaux and defended by Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios.

Alleged Agreement.

Mr. Vaux said that the plaintiff's case was that the premises were let to Mrs. Rowe as from April 1, an agreement to that effect having been entered into as a result of an interview on or about March 20 between the plaintiff and Mrs. Rowe at which Mrs. Rowe's "boy" acted as interpreter.

No agreement in writing was entered into, but the keys were handed over to the defendant, said Mr. Vaux, and she agreed to pay the rent for April on April 15. Application for the rent was made on this day but in spite of this and other applications none had in fact been paid. The defendant employed a contractor to do certain whitewashing, the understanding being that this sort of work should be done by the tenant and any structural repairs by the landlord. The defendant had not in fact occupied the premises but no notice of termination of the contract had been given and it was plaintiff's case that such contract was not terminated until the landlord himself gave notice on May 23 that the contract would cease on June 1. During the period from April 1 to June 1, plaintiff claimed that defendant was liable for payment of rent at \$120 a month.

On the plaintiff going into the box Mr. Remedios cross-examined him as to whom he had made the arrangements with. It was put to the plaintiff that he had not in fact seen Mrs. Rowe at all but that plaintiff's wife had carried on the negotiations and that it was indicated to plaintiff's wife through defendant's boy that Mrs. Rowe did not want the house.

Plaintiff's Denial.

Plaintiff denied this and maintained that he personally had conducted the negotiations with Mrs. Rowe through her boy and in her presence. Plaintiff also denied that the first interview in respect of the house was in April and that the contract, if it had been agreed to, would only apply for rent on May 1. Plaintiff maintained that he personally had shown defendant over the house in March.

Mr. Remedios put it to plaintiff that the alleged request for rent on April 15 was merely a telephonic intimation to Mrs. Rowe that if she did not want the house it was to be let to someone else. Plaintiff denied this.

Asked by His Honour where he had "phoned" to, plaintiff stated that it was to an hotel where defendant was then living. He had spoken to her boy as he himself did not speak English.

Plaintiff stated that he had had to break into the house when he wished to hand it to other tenants. This he stated, "was because the defendant had the keys."

It was denied for the defence that the keys had been handed over and the reason given for the

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"GUTTER JARGON."

New York, Yesterday. The reception of "Big Bill" Thompson's "American First" foundation has hardly been enthusiastic.

Speaking at Chattanooga Dr. John Neal, principal counsel for the defence in the famous "monkey" trial at Dayton, said that if Tennessee legislators and the organisation of the mayor of Chicago were to amalgamate they would attract to their banner "all the forces of ignorance and bigotry in the country."

The poet and author, Vachel Lindsay, declared that William Thompson does not talk "United States;" he talks the "gutter jargon of a steerage passenger."

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STRIKE IMMINENT.

INDIAN RAIL WORKERS FIGHT RETRENCHMENT.

FEDERATION'S DECISION.

Kharagpur, Yesterday.

The special session of the All-India Railwaymen's Federation which has been considering the situation created by the retrenchment scheme on the Bengal Nagpur Railway under which 800 employees were discharged consequent on the closing of the workshops, and also the contemplated retrenchment of other railways in India, has passed a resolution urging the Bengal Nagpur Railway Union to consider the possibility of a strike, and if that fails to bring about a satisfactory settlement, within a week, the general council should declare a general strike on the railways of India within a fortnight with a view to averting the proposed retrenchment.—Reuter.

EMPIRE UNITY.

MR. AMERY MEETS VICTORIAN CABINET.

MIGRATORY AND COMMERCE.

Rugby, Yesterday. Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Dominions Secretary, has conferred with the Cabinet of Victoria, Australia.

The chief subjects under discussion were migration and the encouragement of the use of Australian products in Britain.—British Wireless Service.

breaking into the house was that the Police had broken in.

On this being put to plaintiff he denied it.

The question of repairs to the roof was also raised by Mr. Remedios, who put it to plaintiff that his wife agreed to put in hand such repairs.

Repairs Not Done? Mrs. Rowe gave evidence, denying that she had met the plaintiff at all and alleging that negotiations were carried on with plaintiff's wife. Plaintiff's wife agreed that repairs to the roof, doors, and windows should be put in hand and on this understanding defendant caused whitewashing to be done to the rooms. When plaintiff refused to carry out the repairs defendant stopped the whitewashing and did not enter the premises. It was denied that the keys had been handed over to defendant. Defendant had never entered into possession of the premises and claimed that she was not liable in respect of the rent.

Mr. Remedios indicated that if His Honour found that the act of putting in hand whitewashing work, constituted entry, into the premises he would raise a defence in law under the Statute of Fraud Ordinance which stated that any agreement for the sale or interest in a concern in land must be signed by the parties to be charged therewith or by their lawfully authorised agent.

Case Adjourned.

Further evidence was taken and His Honour eventually adjourned the case until Friday. In order that Police evidence might be taken as to the alleged raid by the Police on the premises, and also evidence as to the extent of the whitewashing put in hand, on which evidence differed.

HULLOA, VIENNA!

Telephone Service From London.

EXPERIMENTS SATISFACTORY.

Calls To Czechoslovakia Later.

Rugby, Yesterday. A telephone service between London and Vienna will be opened during the next few weeks. Satisfactory experimental conversations have already taken place between the officials in the General Post Office in London and the Australian authorities at Vienna via Frankfurt.

Telephone services with Czechoslovakia are contemplated later. The Postmaster General has given directions for a campaign to be undertaken at once to popularise Continental telephone services. A special booklet, giving details of overseas services, has been prepared, and canvassers will to-morrow begin a tour of business firms who are users or potential users of the telephone between Britain and various Continental countries.

It is pointed out that telephone services to the continent will be greatly assisted by underground cables which have now been laid between Cape Grinez and Paris. Formerly overhead wires between the French capital and the coast were liable to damage in stormy weather.—British Wireless Service.

EGYPT'S PREMIER.

VISIT TO SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN.

INFORMAL CONVERSATIONS.

Rugby, Yesterday. Sarwat Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, who arrived in London last night from Brussels, where he has been in attendance on King Fuad during his official visit to the King of the Belgians, visited Sir Austen Chamberlain at the Foreign Office this afternoon.

He has returned to London in order to resume the informal conversations with the British Foreign Secretary regarding British-Egyptian matters which were begun when he accompanied King Fuad to London last July.

Sarwat Pasha is staying at the Egyptian Legation.—British Wireless Service.

YPRES DAY.

SOLEMN OBSERVANCE IN LONDON.

WREATH ON CENOTAPH.

Rugby, Yesterday. Ypres Day was observed in London to-day.

H.R.H. Princess Beatrice laid a wreath at the base of the Cenotaph bearing the inscription: "To the glorious memory of 200,000 British who fell in the Ypres Salient 1914 to 1918 from the Ypres League."

Another wreath was laid by the High Commissioner of Australia. Later Princess Beatrice went to Westminster, where she placed another wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.—British Wireless Service.

SPANISH PLOT.

BLASCO IBANEZ IS NOT FIGHTING.

STAYING NEAR MENTONE.

Paris, Yesterday. It is learned from Nice that Blasco Ibanez is staying at his villa near Mentone.—Reuter.

[A message of October 29 stated that 1,500 Catalan or Spanish Republican insurgents from Paris and Brussels crossed the Franco-Spanish frontier and concentrated on the Spanish side of Mount Camporador. According to an "Echo de Paris" report from Perpignan, they are commanded by the famous novelist, Blasco Ibanez, and Ventura Gassol.]

MR. HART LYMAN.

AMERICAN EX-EDITOR DEAD.

New York, Yesterday. The death is announced of Mr. Hart Lyman, ex-editor of the "New York Tribune"—Reuter's American Service.

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